

10.20am: Mrs Shephard is Tony Blair and Labour MPs at Question Time. 4pm: Downing Street tones lown remarks to reporters. The Prime Minister and Mrs Shephard are merely getting the agreed government line straight. No question of the PM rebuking or rapping the knuckles of Mrs Shephard That is nonsense." The two

It also reopens simmering backstairs manoeuvres for the Tory leadership succe John Major is ousted after an election defeat next spring. Some conspiracy-minded MPs and educationists saw the Education Secretary re-polishing her rightwing credentials.

panding secondary selection, force caning through. disciplinary powers and vari-ety — the wobble offered the The shadow education sec retary, David Blunkett, claimed the day's events Opposition an opportunity to muddy the political waters and make the Government showed "a Government that has not got the first idea of look even more divided. what it is doing morning, Mr Major was taunted by Tony Blair and other MPs at noon and night". Labour caused further em-Question Time and when the barrassment for Mrs She-

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On other

Anatomy of a dispute 8.10am: Gillian Shephard ap-pears on Radio 4's Today to explain her new Education Bill. 8.17am: John Humphreys has spotted the Sun's "exclu-

called, mid-speech, to take Mr Major's 15-minute call in the head's study. "Could you assure us you're still Education ecretary?" quips the mayor, Hugh Ashton, when she returns. "Yes, and you'll be glad to know the Prime Minis ter is still the Prime Minis-ter," she replies.

schools last night after the Prime Minister overruled Gillian Shephard's procaning views - and she un-apologetically stood her ground at the Commons Dispatch Box. Coming less than a week after "choice and opportunity" in education emerged as a central theme of the last Queen's Speech programme before the election, the dispute over amendments to Mrs Shephard's new Education

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ranked high among the self-inflicted wounds of an accident-prone government. Conservative rightwingers

are now almost certain to give the restoration of corporal punishment a high-profile - as several promised last night - knowing that it could

They pointed to Michael Howard's reported support for the pro-cane shift. What started as a routine

ain 10 years ago.

Minister. interview on yesterday's Radio 4 Today programme — in which Mrs Shephard virtu-ally solicited amendments for "a very useful deterrent" — rapidly led to an emergency phone call from Mr Major to the Surrey school she was when reporters were told

the pair had spoken to steady the wobbling cabinet line Downing Street toned down ting the restoration of corpo-ral punishment into the bill." the exchange. Officials stressed that the Government remained anti-corporal pun-

siasm for corporal punish-ment was clearly shared by ishment - and Mrs Shephard confirmed she would not be some backbenchers who night — knowing that it could voting for her "different per-provoke conflict with the sonal view". cheered loudly as the staunch into the Ridings school and it rightwinger. Tony Marlow, Worksop, Nottinghamshire governors meet to discuss the Rights on an issue which was cation Bill due to be pub-

phard last night by publish-ing a letter she received from Queen's Speech debate resumed Mrs Shephard was forced to concede that she had the grant-maintained schools attacking her plans for mak-ing schools more selective as been overruled by the Prime When she later outlined the "a mish mash"

City boss trades places Race is to the Swift as favourite's Kurd woman 'wonderful book' takes Booker

John Edwards, secretary of main measures in the bill she was harried to explain by MPs on both sides. She said: "My own personal the Association of Grant Maintained and Aided Schools, said her selection view is that corporal punishplans were "extremely divment can be a useful deter-rent ... the Prime Minister takes a different personal isive" for their schools, which would "resent changes in the admission arrangements to neighbouring schools that view but the Covernment nosition is that we are not putwould distort the current

pages Sketch, page 2 level playing field." There was also concern 🗋 Comment, about two schools brought

close to collapse by problems of indiscipline. In Halifax, page 8 Yorkshire, inspectors moved Rights and into the Ridings school and in Worksop, Nottinghamshire, wrongs, governors meet to discuss the page 9

sive" in which she and the Home Secretary, Michael $I_{\gamma\gamma}$ Howard, are reported to want to "bring back the cane to deal with classroom thugs". She all but invites Tory MPs and teachers to demand restoration but fails to say it is not government policy. 9am: Downing Street staff

hear the story on BBC News and realise it is "capable of

being misinterpreted". They

alert Mr Major at his pre Question Time briefing.

9.30am: After the briefing, Downing St officials ring the

Department for Education to

talk to Mrs Shephard. The de-

partment contacts her on a

platform at Waterloo via her

mobile phone. They agree she should ring from the

sixth form centre at Heath-side school, Weybridge,

which she is to open.

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Chris Nuttall In Ankara

suicide bomb

briefing for lobby correspon-dents. It prompts "Major Gives Gillian Six of the Best"

11am: Downing Street offi- | are old friends cials inform reporters of the 4.20pm: Mrs Shephard exchange at the morning makes no attempt to hide her dispute with Mr Major. She has her personal view. He has his. But "we are not putting headlines in papers. 3.15pm: Major taunted by punishment into the bill".



What has been described as a 'tracic human river 25 kilometers long' is desperately fleeing the fighting in Zaire. Such is their panic that thousands of refugees are even returning to Rwanda, the country they fled only two years ago.

Innocent men, women and children who thought they had escaped the bloodshed now face misery again. With fear and desperation comes disease and starvation. Food supplies will last just five more days. The Red Cross urgently needs your help to provide vital food, clean water and medical aid.

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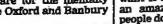
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Cynics regard the Square Mile as a citadel of greed, but John Martyn, aged 53, is leav-ing Dalgety, the pet food group, to do voluntary work on behalf of the homeless.

Mr Martyn will spend more time working at the Gate-house drop-in centre in

Oxford, where he and his wife, Frances, already help. He also plans to devote more time to the Warnford and Littlemore hospitals. which care for the mentally II in the Oxford and Banbury



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He said: "My wife and I

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John Martyn: helping needy

have been interested for a long time in helping people who are less well off than we are, and although it might seem unusual. I wouldn't want it to be seen as making an amazing step — lots of people do it." Encouraged by Mrs Mar-

came involved in the Gate house project - run jointly by a number of Oxford churches - five years ago. He added: "It isn't just a case of making tea and sandwiches for people - counsel-ling is one of the most important things the centre does. Sitting down with people and listening to their problems is equally important." Caroline Zvegintzov, secre-



say they are victims

of EU sobsidies.

yesterday. Last year the bookmak-ers were caught out when Pat Barker's The Ghost heiped out regularly. Mr Martyn is not turning his back on the corporate scene completely, and will Road won, beating the favorrite, The Moor's Last Sigh by Salman Rushdie. retain a non-executive directorship at retailing group Littlewoods.

But Mrs Shephard's enthu-

tyn, who helped set up the centre, Mr Martyn first be-

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'wonderful book' takes Booker

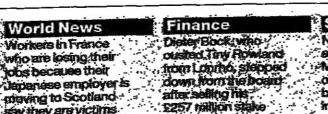
advised Evening Standard GRAHAM Swift's novel Last Orders opens with the words: "It ain't like readers to bet £1.000 on the novel winning the Booker. Carmen Callil, chair of the judges, said: "Choosing your regular sort of day." Yesterday certainly was not a regular sort of day for Swift as he won the £20,000

ASUICIDE bomber blew herself up as Kurdish sep-aratists disrupted Republic the winner was absolute Day celebrations in Turkey torture but we eventually settled on Last Orders, a wonderful book that will yesterday. It was the third suicide bombing, all involv ing women, in recent months, representing a new tactic by the Kurdistan Workers' Party give pleasure to thousands of people." Swift's novel, his sixth. (PKK).

tells the story of a day out-ing from Bermondsey to Margate to scatter a butcher's ashes at Sea. In common with some of the sation. The woman had been other authors on this year's picked up for questioning in shortlist, Mr Swift had been nominated for the exploded the bomb as the car

approached the police station. Three police officers and a Booker Prize before - in 1983 for Waterland. Two "Booker brideswo "Booker brides- passer-by were killed, and Turn to page 2, column 3 nine people injured. Comment and Letters 8; Obituaries 10 Sport Nick Bermby is G2 expected to leave Crossword 15; Weather 16; Middlesbrough after Radio 16; TV 16





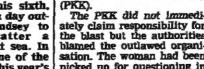
Booker Prize at a ceremony at the Guildhall.

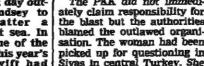
It was, however, the sort of day the bookmakers had predicted. Last Orders led

the betting from the an-nouncement of the short-list, being evens favourite

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only 14 months, bound for Everton ina £5.75 million to Anglo American. transfer deal.





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First crawler looks for a new Korea



Simon Hoggart

RIME MINISTER'S Questions were only two minutes old when we heard the First Crawler of the Fall. It's that melancholy, autumnal time of year, season of mists and mellow greasiness, when MPs seize their final chance to bumsuck to the boss before the nights close in. Mr Andrew Rowe (C, Mid

Kent) rose, apropos of noth-ing, to ask Mr Major about his "visit to Korea, one of the most successful, if not the most suc-Prime Minister in our recent history. . . leading to billions of pounds of investment. . ." And so on.

Mr Major could have replied: "I thank you for those kindly remarks, but I should point out that the reason Korean companies are invest-ing here is that wages in large parts of the UK have fallen well below Korea. Following years of economic failure, we can also boast a cowed and

pliant workforce." But he said nothing of the sort. Instead he thanked Mr Rowe for remembering his visit (why didn't he do the decent thing, and thank the whips who instructed Mr

Well, it kept Mr Blair at bay for another two minutes. The Labour leader asked about cattle culling, and the Govern ment's many positions on this topic. (Did you know that cows many in power station furnaces — at the rate of 50,000 a week? So they're an environ-mentally friendly, renewable energy source.)

Mr Blair soon got round to his real topic, which was the Government's inability to make up its mind. There had been U-turns on stalkers and aedophiles, and a change of line on combat knives.

Then, this morning, we had the extraordinary spectacle of the Education Secretary popping up on the Today

Review

programme saying she will bring back corporal punishment in schools — only to be reprimanded within minutes by the Prime Minister. pparently on his mobile one from the train!" Don't you hate those people who use mobile phones on trains? Usually all they want to do is boast that they are on a train. "Justin, can you hear me Justin? I'm on a train. Yes, Clapham Junction. Get back to you soon." Blip blip beeeep! "Hello, Jeremy you old bas-tard! Yes, I'm on a train..." One way of shutting these people up is to sit near them and, conspicuously craning

your neck, take a careful note of what they are saying. If they complain it's a private conversation, say: "Oh, I'm sorry. You were shouting so sofry. Tota were anothing to loudly, I assumed you wanted us to hear everything." But the Prime Minister is a new peril. "Gillian? Yes, I'm

on a train. Look, if we hear any more of this corporal pun-ishment nonsense I'll have you thrashed to within an inch of your. . . damn, it's cut out...

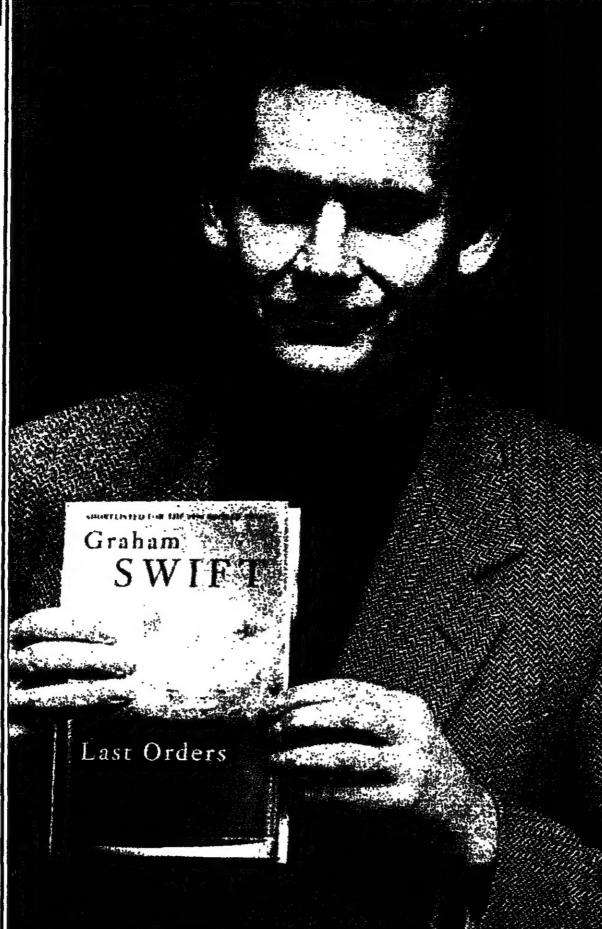
Whatever really happened Mr Major was outraged. "Every single word is a twisted distortion," he announced. "In Opposition you can spend your life on public relations stunts. In Govern-ment we have to deal with reality.

But then Torles never go in for PR stunts. Ever. Except, perhaps, for the Satanic eye Oh, and the cans of beans. And the Labour Hypocrisy board game. Apart from that, never. Oh, except the "Yes it hurt" poster. And. . . Mr Eddle O'Hara (Lab, Encompton S) more to declare

Knowsley S) rose to declare 'Christmas is coming!" In catalogues, he said, you could find the "Terminator Terror Sword -- double-handled, 58inches, absolutely awesome" and "Commando knife complete with blood channel. Ideal Christmas present." Somehow Mr Major's res-

ponse to this stockingful of mayhem ("there is no dispute about the desirablity of banning weapons of this sort where a workable definition can be found"), while possibly accurate. falls short of the required level of moral outrage. And as we know, moral

outrage is all that our politicians care about this week.



Booker winner Graham Swift and his "wonderful book that will give pleasure to thousands"



Howard 'to blame'as swindler goes free

Extradition failure after row over 'chief engineer' of BCCI scandal

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

HE "chief engineer of one of the biggest banking scandals in

British criminal his-tory is to be released from Brixton prison today after serving only four years inside because of an international row over his extradition. A High Court judge yester

day rebuked the Home Secre-tary, Michael Howard, for his role in the case, saying he had taken a personal interest only two months ago: "Had he done so 12 months ago mat-ters might have been differ-ent," said Lord Justice Rose.

Syed Zlauddin Ali Akbar, aged 52, was jailed at the Old Bailey for six years for his role in the Bank of Com-merce and Credit International fraud. The bank was shut down in July 1991 by worldwide regulatory action after investigators discovered

a fraud worth up to \$20 billion dollars (\$12.5 billion). Akbar, who lived in Golders Green, north London, was immediately arrested on his release in September 1995 after serving three years of his six-year sentence because the US authorities had started extradition proceedings against him. They wanted him to face trial on new blackmail charges of accept-ing a \$15 million dollar (£9.5 nillion) bribe from BCCI as lecision. "his price for not disclosing to a US senator details of

corruption.' Akbar has since spent 14 months in custody while an international argument involving Britain, France and America has raged over whether all the paperwork was in order for him to be sent to the US.

Erlend Clouston

The time has come to say enough is enough. He is discharged from custody for-with," said Lord Justice Rose said this arguement did not

yesterday. He added that he was "wholly unpersuaded" that the Home Office had shown why he should not be freed under legislation which sets a two month limit on the time spent in custody swait-ing extradition. Lord Justice Rose said the Home Office did nothing for seven months despite the seriousness of the case. "During

the last two months the Home Secretary has shown a per-sonal interest in this case. Had he done so 12 months ago matters might have been different.

The problems faring the Home Secretary began when Akbar fied to France on being paroled in 1991 during a separate 18 month sentence for drug trafficking.

Britain and America applied for his extradition on separate charges. Britain wanted him for the BCCI false accounting charges while the US wanted him on money

laundering allegations. The French sent him back to Britain to stand trial at the Old Bailey and the original American charges were dropped under the "double jeopardy" rule. When the Americans asked Britain for extradition of Akbar on the \$15 million blackmail charges, the French insisted they still had the right to see fresh witness statements and to consider the US request before Britain made a

The French Ministry of Jus-tice complained that the documents sent by the Home Office were inadequate. After lengthy delays the French said a court decision would be reached in 1998. Home Office lawyers ar-

gued that Akbar should not be freed as he was the "author of his own misfor-tune" once he had fled to France but Lord Justice Rose

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................................ Maxwell - The Downfall Inside Story Special, BBC1

HO says television is the fastest medium? It has taken five years since Robert Maxwell's death. four years since his sons were charged, nine months since they were acquitted and six weeks since all other charges were dropped before we could see this fascinating, forensic account BBC1's Inside Story Special:

Maxwell — the Downfall was riveting. Not because the story was shockingly new, but because it was being screened at last. Here was a visual record of corruption, a filmed record of the great and the good paying court to a fraudster.

The hairdresser captured his vanity in a sentence. The butler explained his extravagant greed. The chauffeur gave us an unforgettable portrait of a man on the edge of the abyss. We watched senior politi-

cians smiling with the incorri gible con-man as they enjoyed his sumptuous 65th birthday feast: the oleaginous Jona-than Aitken, the faintly em-barrassed Malcolm Rifkind and the ailing Harold Wilson. Then came confirmation of Maxwell's City status with a flattering speech from that smoothest of Square Mile fix-ers, Sir Michael Richardson.

Among these wonderful moments there was none better than the footage of Maxwell dictating his own publicity material while his then chief of staff, Peter Jay, hovers in attendance, the voice-over intoning: "Unquestioning executives helped to mould Maxwell's image

For those in the know this was a stunning settling of accounts. When Tom Bower was writing his biography of Max-well in the 1980s Jay harried him assiduously on his master's behalf. Now Bower was giving BBC viewers a chance to see Jay, the BBC's Economics Editor, in a new light. Truly, the BBC is a broad church

One of Bower's greatest successes was in obtaining unseen film of Maxwell at the Jerusalem Holocaust memo-rial towards the end of his life. As Maxwell weeps while talk-

ing of his slaughtered mother and family, we cannot see his life as anything other than a

cycle of tragedy. But Bower's film should not be seen as a history lesson. Even now, so many people

have questions to answer. By holding fast to sub judice rules while Kevin and Ian faced fraud charges, they were able to maintain their silence. Now the brothers are cleared it is time for them to help us --pensioners, employees, the rest of the City, Parliament, all of us - with our legitimate

During the court case it was clear from both prosecution and defence evidence that the professionals should not escape responsibility for Max-well having plundered penat all." sion funds. Bower urges us to ask the following questions. Why did Coopers & Lybrand

fail to spot that pension fund certificates were missing during their audit? Why did the legal firm Titmuss Sainer & Webb not question certain dubious property deals? Why did brokers and bankers give a man they knew to be dodgy the time of day?

Then there are the highly paid employees. Why did a di-rector of Maxwell's pension fund investment company. Lord Donoghue, refuse to reveal Maxwell's activities, even though he quit because of them? Surely it cannot have been a £50,000 pay-off? Why did Peter Walker, sup-posedly hired to become chair-

man, not reveal to the world that the company was in more trouble than the public accounts indicated? Surely his silence had nothing to do with his £500,000 pay-off?

Why did two Mirror Group directors, Sir Robert Clark and Alan Clements, wait eight weeks before acting after man-aging director Ernie Burring-

had removed £38 million from the company? Burrington offered one answer: "They thought it was for someone else to sort out." It could be the motto of all who came into contact with Max-

It's a tribute to Bower that he, almost alone, has never left it to anyone else. And he fought tenaciously to ensure that the BBC lived up to its promise by screening last night's documentary. Now need the answers.



authors were Shena Mackay for The Orchard On Fire, Rohinton Mistry for A Fine Bal-ance, and Seamus Deane for Reading In The Dark.

The announcement of the winner was almost overshadowed by the sort of pub-licity on which the Booker thrives. A had-tempered outburst from author V.S. Nai-paul, a previous winner, was followed by an attack on critics by the chair of the judges, Carmen Callil

Mr Naipaul; who won the prize in 1971, said: "The Booker is murder. Absolutely nothing would be lost if it withered away and died. It is seless. I have no regard for it In the past, Mr Naipaul has

argued that the novel as genre is dead. Martyn Goff, administrator

of the Booker Prize, res-ponded, saying: "I find it extraordinary that someone who has won the Booker Prize himself - and was very

Although book prizes may have questionable literary merit, in financial terms the Booker is not useless. On top of the £20,000 tax-free prize money, Mr Swift can expect to see hardback sales of Last Orders scar. A healthy paper-back sale is virtually guaran-

teed and negotiations over film rights will inevitably take place. The winning author is well-

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Graham Swift ions: Catford, 1949; father a civil servant

ated: Dulwich College, Cambridge and York universities. Abandoned an acaden areer to become a writer (PhD thesis, 'The

City in Nineleenth-Century English Literature later subsisting by teaching

Early acclaims his first two novels, The Sweet Shop Owner (1980) and Shuttlecask (1981), put him on Granta magazi groundbreaking 1983 list of the 20 Best Young British Novelists, along with Martin Amis and

at: the publication of vratemand, sisc in 1983. A fenland family sega, it won the Guardian Fiction prize, had him as Booker favourite that year and was nade into a film starring Jeremy Irons

Fell from grace: the two books that followed Waterland, Out of This World (1997) and Ever After (1992), are constantly cited as ailures by crit

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14 a: technical proficiency (particularly at creating 'voices', as in Last Orders); not likely to suffer fools gladly; s gladly; ing his bootes the business of promot

advised to start negotiating a

deal for his next novel now. Ms Callil, the founder of

Virago Press and chair of this year's judging panel, attacked critics for praising the Ameri-

can novel at the expense of English fiction.

hovered in the shade of Amer-

ican fiction admiring their pistol-packing approach," she

"A clique of critics have

Vic says, 'A hearse is different, everyone makes way for a hearse. Lonny says. You mean they don't make way for Vincey here?" Vic sits in the front beside Vince, holding the box on his knees. I can see it's how it should be. Vic being the professional, but it don't seem right he should hold it all the time. Maybe we should take it in turns. Vince looks across at Vic. He says, smiling, Bueman's holiday, ah, Vic?'

Lanny says, 'Don't encourage him, Vic.'

Extract

Vince is wearing a white shirt with ailver culf links, and pongy after-shave. His hair is all alicked back. It's a brand new suit. We head on past the gas works, lidenton Road, under the railway bridge. Prince of Windsor. The sun comes out from behind the tower blocks, bright in our faces, and Vince pulls out a pair of chunky sun-glasses from under the dashboard. Lermy starts singing, alyly, through his teeth, 'Blue Bayooo ...' And we all feel II, what with the sunshine and the beer inside us and the journey ahead: also it's something Jack has done for us, so as to make us feel special, so as to give us a treat. Like we're off on a jaunt, a spree, and the world looks good, it looks like it's just there for us.

From Last Orders (Picador, 215.99)

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said. "It means that great English writers have been overlooked. should read more. "I don't think they read enough and I don't think they've read half the books nominated this "They are in a no-win situation. There has been this obvear Ms Callil had to read almost

sessive designation going on. These critics believe that be-cause English novelists are 150 books between April and October to judge this year's Booker. The other judges no longer the greatest in the world, they must be the were Jonathan Coe, Ian Jack, A.L. Kennedy and A.N.

attack on Blair

nal's remarks had been "directed to all political parties".

ARDINAL Thomas Labour indicated Mr Blair had always been willing to enter dialogue with Cardinal Winning, but had not been asked for a meeting other than through the media. Winning, the leader of the Scottish Catholic Church, yesterday refused to back down in his row with Tony Blair over Labour's abortion policy, urging But Cardinal Winning,

Roman Catholics to examine while conceding there was lit-tle to choose between the partheir consciences before they ties on the abortion issue, continued to single out vote in a general election The 71-year-old cardinal made clear his continuing Labour for criticism. He justipersonal distaste for the fied this because of the past Labour leader's parliamen-tary voting record on what he decision of the Scottish execu-tive to exclude a pro-life stall termed "perhaps the most serious issue of our times". from the party's 1994 conference, the party's official pol-icy of upholding the 1967 Abortion Act, and the likeli-However, he stopped short of calling for a mass defection of Labour's Catholic support, hood of a Labour victory at

and even suggested the par-ty's political pedigree com-pensated for its "anti-life" fallibility. Discussing his vote at the the general election. "The Labour Party is likely to be the next government, so it's very important for voters to know exactly where they stand on the issue," he said. next election, the cardinal pointedly remarked that - if "I leave it to the Catholic he was looking beyond the people themselves to make up their own minds about how single abortion issue - "the Labour Party has done a great deal for this country". He also they vote, having considered in their own conscience what they have to do." The cardinal is particularly

indicated he would be pre-pared to meet Mr Blair "once worried at the reported plans of Labour's Northern Ireland spokesman, Mo Mowlam, to the dust has settled". The qualified clerical er ent will be cherished by Labour, which yesterday further extended an olive extend the 1967 act to the **Drovince**

branch first offered in a fax to In a clear allusion to Mr Scottish Roman Catholic Blair, he said yesterday: headquarters accepting that the cardinal's televised refer-"How can you say that you are against abortion and it is ences to "sham" Christian a matter of conscience, and go values were not directed at and vote for it? Mr Blair personally. The abortion issue has a

In a three-sentence resparticular sensitivity in Scot-land, where Labour support ponse to the cardinal's comments yesterday, deputy among underprivileged Cath-John McFall welcomed the "assurances" that the cardi-nationalists.

Ms Callil said that critics | Wilson

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The Guardian Wednesday October 30 1996

This Abraham Mignon oil painting fetched a record £800,000

Huge prices and high emotions as Nazis' plundered art goes home to rest

Austria yesterday moved to confront its murky past. Ian Traynor reports

victims

The government bowed to pressure last year and turned the collection over to Aus-tria's small Jewish commu-Ronald Lauder, a former

HE first charity auc-tion of Jewish art

looted by the Nazis sur-

passed all expectations

poignancy and high

emotion in Vienna yesterday. By lunchtime on the first of

the two-day sale, Christie's catalogue guide prices were shredded as items fetched

more than 10 times the

Vienna's Museum of Applied Arts for the sale of the

"Mauerbach Collection" -

Hundreds of dealers packed

estimate.

Eighty-eight percent of the proceeds will go to aid Jewish victims of the Holocaust, and 2 per cent will go to non-Jewish Austrian survivors. A London art dealer, Richard Green, shelled out almost £800,000 for an Old Master oil painting of peonies, roses and tulips by Abraham Mignon (1640-78), the highest price ever fetched by a Mignon. The

Christie's catalogue valued it at about £50,000 pounds.

ervices on a non-profit basis. were from Jews "who wanted this as a remembrance of a time that was". Israel's Yad Vashem and Tel Aviv museums, as well as many US Jewish organisations, were among the potential buyers.



Vranitzky, left

Franz Vranitzky, the country's embattled chancellor, admitted that the sale should have taken place years ago. "it's a signal that could have

Austrians were co-respon-sible for what was done to millions of people of Jewish faith.

"We now know that many and should have, been sent Austrians were directly in-volved in the Holocaust ..., as commanders and supervisors in countless concentration camps, as SS members, occasionally as army soldiers, or as Nazi party members and

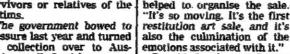
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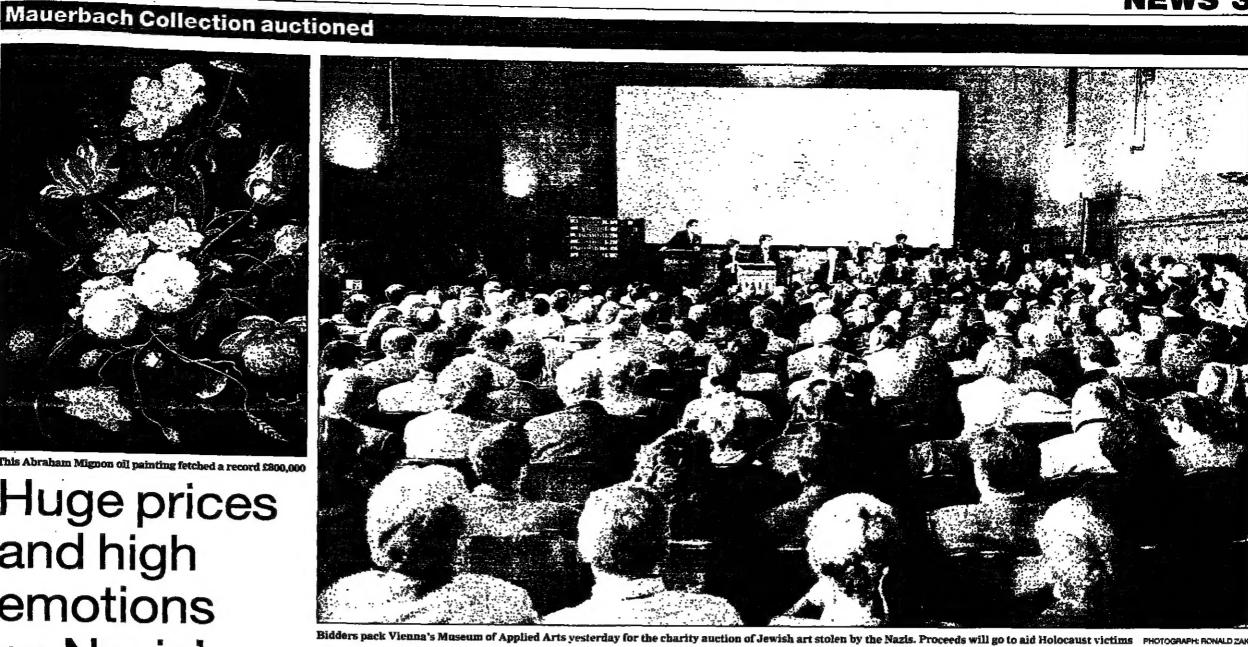
sympathisers." Fran Laufer, a Holocaust survivor, travelled to the auction from New York "out of nostalgia". She intended to bid on the single piece of Judaica in the collection, a painting by the 19th-century artist Ludwig Knaus called "In the Shtetl". "It is such a mixed feeling"

she said, eyes welling up. "All this that has happened to me is coming back."

She looked down and found the measure of her emotions brings up the darkest chapter - the mismatched boots she in Austrian history," Mr pulled on to rush to the sale: Vranitzky said. "For far too one brown ankle-length, the

more than 8,000 paintings, an-tiques and prized family pos-sessions stolen by the Nazis from Viennese Jews during With 150 of the 1,000-plus lots sold by lunchtime, the takings had already exceeded the Christie's total estimate of the Holocaust. The cache was hidden in a derelict monastery outside Vienna for decades while the 23 million. "Prices are going sky high Emotions are also very high," said Julia Hobshawm who Austrian authorities discouraged claims from Holocaust survivors or relatives of the helped to organise the sale.





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nity, which brought in Chris-tie's to organise the sale. The auction house is offering its United States ambassador to For Austria, the sale offered Austria who is co-chairman of the auction benefit commitan opportunity to come clean on its past. tee, said most overseas bids "The historic doctrine here was always that Austria was Hitler's first victim," said

Robert Liska, the vice-presi dent of Vienna's Jewish com munity, who negotiated for years with the government over the loot.

> 'The auction again brings up the darkest chapter in Austrian history'

While Germany spent much of the 1960s and 70s openly seeking to come to terms with its wartime past, Austria, Hit-ler's native land, wove a web of lies. In 1943, the Allies de-clared Austria the Nazis' first victim, in reference to Hitler's annexation in 1938. It was only in 1991 that Mr Vranitzky admitted that Aus-tria had been both victim and

much earlier," he said.

accomplice of Nazism. On a trip to Israel in 1993, he went further in apologising for Austria's role in the Holocaust. At a dinner on the eve of yesterday's sale he was more forthright still. "The Mauerbach charity auction again

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Non-Establishment figure to provide key legal advice

David Hencke Westminster Correspondent

ARLIAMENT yesterday ARLIAMENT years and appointed a blues gui-tar-playing QC, who has represented Amnesty Internahis inquiries. tional and road protesters, to provide the key legal advice to the controversial "cash for

legal establishment yesterday by asking Nigel Pleming, to assist him in sorting out the high profile inquiry into for-mer minister Neil Hamilton, and lobbyist Ian Greer and their involvement with Mo- dence he requires. When he hand Al Fayed, the Harrods owner. Legal colleagues of Mr Plening said he was a "non-Establishment figure".

Details of Mr Pleming's ap-pointment were published yesterday in a special report from the Commons Standards and Privileges Committee. David Doig, as former registrar of members' interests, is also to assist Sir Gordon in

The report gives no time-table or scope for the inquiry, Sir Gordon Downey, the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards, surprised the legal establishment vestored

missioner is currently seek-ing to establish the precise al-legations in each case and to assemble the supporting evi-

sented Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, when he prima facie evidence of case to answer and, where possible, reach conclusions on first tried to ban asylum seekwhether the allegations have ers receiving benefits. He has also represented the been substantiated." The report warns that any-World Development Moveone who tries to mislead Sir | ment - in its fight to force the Government to review its

Gordon will be seen to be in contempt of the House of overseas aid policy in the Commons. wake of the illegal aid to build Sir Gordon's inquiry will be held in private, unless MPs decide to hold their own inquiry into his report after he has sent it to the committee.

Mr Pleming, a 50-year-old vicar's son, is a fan of the singer Loudon Wainwright and attends life classes at art school. He also plays tennis and cricket in Notting Hill, west London, and reads the Guardian and the Times. Mr Pleming went to a Lincolnshire grammar school

the Pergau dam in Malaysia and protestors and ecolo gists who saved the mediae-val Oxleas Wood in Shooters Hill, south London, from a road scheme. Yesterday he finished put-ting the case for a judicial review for Annesty Interna-

tional against the Radio Authority which sought to ban there advertising on commercial radio.

Yesterday his office said: "We cannot comment on his role but he does admit to playing the blues guitar badly and his painting is even

people calling for a ban on all hand guns, said she did not

ever build enough momentum

"The Government has

stated its position which is close to ours and I don't see

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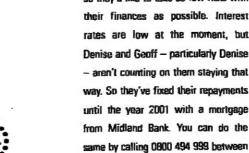
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A NEW gun lobby group, set up a new political party to oppose plans for a ban on handguns, says it has it me guill give out 2000 inter New Structure New Str gunsmiths whose sport is being virtually ended as a result of the decision to ban people calling for a ban on all guns will wipe out 2,000 jobs, bers in its first 10 days. The Sportsman's Associa-tion was founded by angry gunsmiths and shooters in all handguns bigger than the 22 calibre weapons used for | believe the association would Olympic events. The ban, forced through by The ban, forced through by to persuade the Government against pres- to change its mind. Commonwealth Games. It arsure from the Opposition par-ties for a total ban on handgues the ban will not make the streets safer, only destroy legitimate livelihoods and hobbies. guns, came after the report into the Dunblane massacre into the Dunblane massacre that it can back down from and the way that the killer, Thomas Hamilton, had easy The chairman, Albie Fox,

New gun lobby group claims 10,000 members in 10 days

said the group was set up to for guns, but it was not ruling out forming a political party But anti-gun campaigners to force its message home to dismissed the threat and said the Government.

and little-controlled access to weapons and ammunition. Both Labour and the Liberal Democrats have pledged to supprised they (the associa-tion) haven't managed to get more members. There are 57,000 handgun owners in this Recruits so far include | extend the ban to .22 guns if | country."

For the others work began at 6.30. They ate in the refectory in silence as Sister Breige read passages from the Catholic Standard and were forbidden to



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Joint attempt to avoid ambush of constitution bills Lib-Lab body set up to speed reforms

wen MacAskill, Chief **Political Correspondent**

ABOUR and the Liberal Democrats yesterday embarked on the biggest exercise in cross-party co-operation for 20 years by setting up a high-powered body to discuss a oint approach to constitu-

Robin Cook, the shadow foreign secretary, and Robert Maclennan, the Liberal Democrat constitutional spokes-man, announced at a joint Commons press conference the formation of the body, which has the blessing of the two leaders, Tony Blair and Paddy Ashdown. Mr Cook and Mr Macien-

nan strenuously denied the move was intended to lead to a pact, although the Tories swiftly claimed that it was. The Health Secretary, Stephen Dorrell, said: "The LibLab pact which laid Britain low in the 1970s is back. I am pleased that the Liberal Democrats are now admitting

what we have always said: Vote Liberal, get Labour." Labour and the Liberal Democrats fear that if Labour vins the general election bills on a wide range of constitutional measures, including Scottish and Welsh devoution, regional government

for England, a Bill of Rights, Freedom of Information and two parties within a specific reform of the Lords, would be ambushed in the Commons and Lords. High on the agenda of the new cross-party body will be discussion of an

overhaul of Commons procedures to smooth the passage of the hills. Until this year there has been little co-operation be-tween the two parties at UK level since the discredited Lib-

This is not a pact. It's a practical step within a specific field of politics'

Lab pact of the 1970s. But last February there was co-opera-tion between front benches on the Scott arms-to-Iraq report and this month between the two leaders over the Neil Hamilton/Ian Greer cash-for-ques-tions affair. Both party conferences were accompanied by speculation that Lib Dems might be invited to join a Labour cabinet.

Mr Cook said yesterday. This is not a pact. Nor is this the start of some grand new realignment of British politics. It's a very obvious practical step being taken by

field of politics where we hap-pen to have a lot of shared objectives, to work out how, in down-to-earth terms, we can best take forward these objectives in a new parliament." Mr Cook and Mr Macle

nan have had informal talks over the last few months. Mr Cook said that had moved up a gear with a formal meeting esterday morning.

Its importance was demonstrated by the seniority of the oliticians involved. On the politicians involved. On the Labour side, apart from Mr Cook, were the Labour chief whip, Donald Dewar, the shadow leader of the House, Ann Taylor, and the shadow Scottish Secretary, George Robertson. On the Liberal Democrat side were the Scot-tish Stokesman Jim Wallace

tish spokesman Jim Wallace, the campaigns co-ordinator Nick Harvey, and Lord McNaily. Mr Maclennan, who has ex-

erience as a junior minister in the Labour government of 1974-79 of the problems faced by the Scottish devolution bill, said: "Constitutional reform has in the past proved

difficult to secure, even by governments with substantial majorities. Even with strong commitment, it is sensible to see if there is enough common ground to have a common approach.

Miners in health test case

Record compensation battle launched against British Coal

Soumas Milne

X former miners and Stwo pitmen's widows yesterday launched a test case against British Coal for emphysema and bronchitis compensation in an action which could become the biggest health compensation laim ever to come to court.

The Government, owner of what has become a shell company since coal privatisation, faces a potential bill running into tens of millions of pounds if the claim is uccessful

The claimants, backed by the pit deputies' union, Na-cods, and the National Union conditions.

of Mineworkers, are taking legal action in a bid to compel British Coal to pay compensa tion for a wider group of dust-induced respiratory diseases. Mine owners are at present only obliged to compensate for pneumoconicsis. Up to 50,000 former miners suffering from emphysema and bronchitis stand to benefit if the High Court finds against British Coal. Opening the hearing at Car-

diff High Court yesterday, Stuart Brown QC, for the ex-miners and deputies, said the key question was whether the men had been exposed to ex-cessive levels of dust and

Evidence would be pre-sented that the increase in mechanisation underground since nationalisation in 1947 had led to sharply higher dust levels and dust sampling Boy wonder . . . Raheed Kahndaker memorises books and can say the alphabet in three langua equipment was inaccurate particularly in the early post-war years. "The defendants put productivity before dust suppression." Mr Brown said. The case is expected to last until Easter part year more until Easter next year, moving from Cardiff to Sheffleld and then to London to hear

evidence from ex-miners and David Sharrock Ireland Correspondent technical and medical British Coal already faces potentially huge compensa-tion bills after the NUM won a High Court victory in Janu-A military figure shot dead in Belfast early yesterday had been "stood

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Thomas Stewart, 32, a mar-

ried man with two children.

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ary over its failure to take action to deal with the indus trial disease of Vibration White Finger — a condition caused by long-term use of vi-brating machinery. was ambushed by a number of armed and masked men near his home in Ballysillan, in the north of the city, at down the street with another

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A man and a women were arrested at a house in the area within hours of the killing and were being

Ex-UVF chief shot dead Mystery protein may be key to rheumatoid arthritis cure

Tim Radford Science Editor SCIENTISTS believe they have found the cell ma-chinery that might "switch off' rheumatoid arthritis and could lead to a new treatment for the condition afflicting 750,000 Britons.

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Most research has focused on how rheumatoid arthritis

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Boy, 2 set to join Mensa

BOY of two is set to be come the youngest member of Mensa after evidence that he can recite the alphabet in three languages, memorise whole books and name the make of every car he sees. Mensa has advised the arents of Raheed Kahndaker, who has only been at nursery for eight weeks, to send him to an independent

psychologist to test his IQ as he is too young to take the usual tests

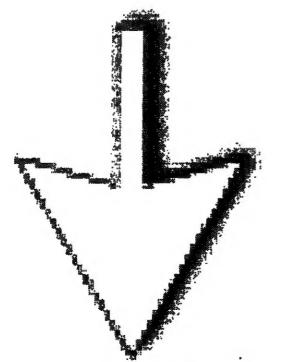
"He is an extraordinary little boy. He did walk and talk early, but we didn't think much of it," said his ather, Tasha.

"But in the last few months he has started to remember everything he sees. He memorises the make and model of cars whenever we drive some-where. If I read him a book he has memorised the whole thing in about three days. He can count and we are now teaching him to

Mr Kahndaker taught his son the alphabet in English, Arabic and Bengali. "He knows them all perfectly

now," he said. Other child geniuses include four-year-old Jessica Hardy, from Rotherham, who speaks English, French and Spanish. Chantelle Coleman, also aged four, from South Glamorgan, can speak German too. "Children of this age cannot be tested in the usual way, but if an independent psychologist says Raheed has an IQ of more than 148 or is in the top one to two per cent of the population, we would accept him," said a Mensa spokeswoman.

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inquiry". The inquiry questioned. Mr Stewart was charged series of robberies, the latest of which netted £50,000 from Ballysillan post office. Police

with membership of an illega and loyalist sources yester-day said that Mr Stewart's organisation during the Su-pergrass trials of the midmurder had nothing to do with the UVF but might have been linked to "criminal 1980s. The case against him collapsed when the evidence of William "Budgie" Allen elements". was rejected.

If it was proved that the UVF was behind it, the Meanwhile, it was revealed yesterday that John Major is breach of the loyalist ceaseto meet representatives of the fire would result in the expul-PUP and the Ulster Demosion of the Progressive Union-ist Party, which has close cratic Party next month at the parties' request.

cells — agents of the immune system — actually do. Roderick Flower and coleagues at the Sir William Harvey Research Institute in London discovered a protein called lipocortin-1, and have for years been trying to un-"We knew it had anti-in-

flammatory properties. We didn't quite understand how all the pieces fitted together," Prof Flower said. The white cells, or neutro-

was initiated -- "relatively little focuses on what turns it off," Prof Flower said. "Even if this was a compound which could be used immediately it would take about eight years to get if to the market, so I don't want to hold out bogus hopes for people suffering chronic joint pain.

inflammation and which can be exploited in the future."

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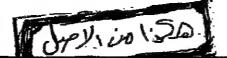


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Murder hunt begins over gun victim, 17

POLICE launched a murder inquiry yesterday when a teenager died in bospital after being shot through the throat in bls car. Orville Bell, 17, had been on a life-support machine since the shooting in Longsight, Manchester, last Wednesday, police said. His family gave permission for doctors at Manchester Royal Infirmary to end his life at midday. Mr Bell, from Longsight, who is survived by a four-year-old daughter, collapsed in the street after being shot at close range as he sat in his car with a 15-year-old female friend. The girl told detectives that two gunmen, both black, in their early teens and wearing bandanas, approached the car and fired two shots. hitting Mr Bell in the throat. Mr Bell had tried to drive off after the shooting and reversed over one of the gunmen's stolen mountain bike as the other apparently fired two more shots. Detective Superintendent Arthur Provoost, leading the in-quiry, told journalists be could not rule out the possibility that this was a "gangland-style" killing.

'Too new' Freud painting lost

AN art gallery yesterday lost its fight to buy Lucien Freud's Portrait on a Grey Cover after being denied lottery cash on the grounds that the painting is too new. The deadline for the Abbot Hall gallery in Kendal, Cumbria, to raise sufficient funds had been Hall gallery in Kendal, Cumbria, to raise sufficient funds had been extended twice by the New York dealer of Freud's work. The painting, valued at £780,000, had been part of a summer exhibition at the gallery and a campaign was mounted to keep the plece in the country. Yesterday, though, only £250,000 had been raised and the painting was sold to a private collector. The rules which prevented the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Arts Council from helping with the purchase have been strongly criticised by the gallery's director, Edward King, who has called the rules "a disaster". He said that unless they are changed, the country's galleries have little chance of buying important contemporary works. "Despite the fact that there is universal agreement that the ganeries have note chance of buying important contemporary works. "Despite the fact that there is universal agreement that the painting should have been bought for Abbot Hall, the Heritage Lottery Fund is sticking to its rule that it can't buy works less than 20 years old, and the Arts Council is sticking to its position of only supporting commissions," he said.

ChildLine decade aids %m

MORE than 500,000 youngsters have been helped by ChildLine over the past decade, according to a report published yesterday which reveals that the charity has counselled 600,000 children and answered around 6 million calls since it was set up. In the last decade, more children have called the free 24 hour helpline about physical and sexual abuse than anything else. Some 77,425 called about being sexually abused, while between October 1986 and March 1996 some 74,605 complained of being physically abused. Last year, the number of calls received about physical and sexual abuse (16,745) was 59 per cent up on Child-Line's first year. In 1986, more than 10,000 out of the total of 23,530 calls received were from abuse victims.

Harding funeral 'private'

THE funeral of Matthew Harding, the vice-chairman of Chelses Football Club, will be a private service for close family and friend tomorrow, it was announced yesterday. The multi-millionaire was killed last week when the helicopter taking him and three friends back to London from a Chelsea game at Bolton, Lancashire, crashed.

Mr Harding's funeral will be at St Margaret's Church, Ditchling, Sussex, at 2pm. A statement from his company, the Benfleid Group, said: "At the family's request, the funeral will be strictly private and by invitation only because the church is very small." A memorial service is to be held in London on a date yet to be announced

Solicitors are still looking at details of Mr Harding's will, but Chelses chairman Ken Bates has insisted the club's fortunes will not be affected as Mr Harding's financial commitment was already in place.

Public keen on green levy

TWO out of three consumers think some or all of the subsidy for than phased out simply to cut electricity bills, according to a Mori survey. One third think the entire levy — currently 10 per cent of the bill, but due to go in two years — should be switched to renewable energy like wind and wave power. The survey also frund that one in five neorle arould be presented to reave as much as found that one in five people would be prepared to pay as much as 264 a year more to fund green energy. — Poul Brown



the "assurances" that the car-dinal's remarks had been

directed to all political

parties". Labour indicated Mr Blair

had always been willing to enter dialogue with Cardinal Winning, but had not been asked for a meeting other

than through the media. But Cardinal Winning,

while conceding there was lit-

tle to choose between the par-ties on the abortion issue,

continued to single out

Labour for criticism. He justi-fied this because of the past

tive to exclude a pro-life stall from the party's 1994 confer-

ence, the party's official pol-icy of upholding the 1967 Abortion Act, and the likeli-

hood of a Labour victory at

to be the next government, so

it's very important for voters

to know exactly where they

stand on the issue," he said. "I leave it to the Catholic

people themselves to make up their own minds."

"The Labour Party is likely

the general election.

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Millionaire sacks employee for taking a holiday **Lottery winner** fires school chum

Owen Bowcott

BUSINESSMAN who took several luxury reaks after winning S11 million on the National Lottery sacked an employee he had known since junior school ... for taking a junior school ... for taking a week's family holiday. After winning the jackpot, Mark Gardiner celebrated with a £50,000 cruise on the QE2, and then took friends and family on a £100,000 trip to Barbados. He also took two holidays in Tenerife and another in Madeira. But Roger Salmon, a 38

vear-old fitter who worked for Mr Gardiner's glazing firm, was summarily sacked by his Mark Gardiner: Celebrated lottery win with holidays old schoolfriend when he ner just went up in the air -

returned from a week's stay in Pontin's holiday camp in he went ballistic. He said I didn't give enough notice, he said I only gave three weeks." An industrial tribunal in The hearing unanimously upheld his claim for wrongful dismissal and awarded him a Ashford, Kent, heard that Mr Salmon had given Croft Glass, of Hastings, East Susweek's net pay of £260. How

sex, five weeks' notice of his planned holiday. ever, he was ordered to pay Mr Salmon said that when he returned to work, "Gardi-

Croft Glass's costs of £250. Mr Salmon, from Hastings

Decision on £76m bypass delayed

who has not worked since he was sacked in June - said afterwards: "He always said I resigned, but I didn't. He sacked me and I have won that point."

Mrs Salmon added: "When Mark won the money all he wanted to do was build up the business, and he hounded Roger day and night to go and work for him." Mr Salmon left his job of 15 years to join Croft Glass.

Mr Gardiner was not at the hearing. His solicitor, Russell Parkes, conceded that Mr Salmon had been sacked and there had been a breach of contract

Until last week, the com-pany was insisting that Mr Salmon resigned and had offered him £400 to settle out of

Since his dismissal the family — which includes sons aged 13 and 11 — have relied on Mrs Salmon's pay from a part-time job as a school din-ner lady. Mr Salmon even had to fight for unemployment

money because Croft Glass claimed he had resigned.

Keith Harper Transport Editor AMPAIGNERS against the £76 million bypass for the city of Salisbury, Wiltshire, yesterday won a reprieve against plans which they say will destroy a view of the cathedral from water meadows painted by Constable. The Government refused to give final approval to the 11 mile road, deferring

its fate until after the general election. Ministers are becoming increasingly sensitive to public pressure on road development, particularly in areas of oustanding beauty or scientific interest.

Neither Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, nor John Gummer, the Environment Secretary, were pre-pared to face another Newbury bypass row in the lead up to the election, and have asked for further studies. Sir George said that the in-spector's report into the plan showed that there was "a

strong case" for the bypass, but it crossed East Harnham meadows, a site of special scientific interest near the city centre. The meadows are part of the River Avon flood plain, and contain rare grasses and herbs

Mr Gummer said: "We are

for eight pay

TV channels

Reprieved for now . . . campaigners say the view of Salisbury Cathedral will be destroyed

Salisbury and the need to | minimise the environmental impact of the proposed bypass." Sir George said that the view of Salisbury cathedral as cably arrived at." declared.

Simon Festing, transport campaigner at Friends of the Earth, described the anpainted by Constable would not be affected by the proposed road. He reject

with the scheme, but had the scheme was the best solu-been overruled by Mr Gum tion to Salisbury's traffic mer. "Our decision was ani-problems, "This shabby announcement exposes the he flawed decision-making of the Government," he said.

George McDonic, chairman of the Wiltshire area of the Campaign for Rural England, said: "At least the Govern

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The Big Issue

IN an article on the Big Issue yesterday, it was wrongly stated that the magazine raises £14 million a week. Sales generate around £14 million a year. Half of that money goes directly to homeles people, the rest - less costs - supports Big Issue charities.

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great deal for this country". The cardinal is particularly worried at the reported plans of Labour's Northern Ireland He also indicated he would be prepared to meet Mr Blair once the dust has settled". spokesman, Mo Mowlam, to The qualified cierical en-dorsement will be cherished extend the 1967 act to the province.

Cardinal in

new attack

on Blair

ARDINAL Thomas

Winning, the leader of the Scottish Cath-

day refused to back down in

his row with Tony Blair over

Labour's abortion policy, urg-ing Roman Catholics to exam-

ine their consciences before

they vote in a general

The 71-year-old cardinal

made clear his continuing personal distaste for the

Labour leader's parliamen-tary voting record on what he

termed "perhaps the most serious issue of our times".

However, he stopped short

of calling for a mass defection

of Labour's Catholic support,

and even suggested the par-

ty's political pedigree com-pensated for its "anti-life"

fallibility. Discussing his vote

at the next election, the cardi-

nal pointedly remarked that — if he was looking beyond

the single abortion issue — "the Labour Party has done a

Erlend Clouston

election

In a clear allusion to Mr by Labour, which yesterday Blair, he said yesterday: "How can you say that you further extended an olive branch first offered in a fax to are against abortion and it is Scottish Roman Catholic headquarters accepting that a matter of conscience, and go the cardinal's televised refer- and vote for it?"

The abortion issue has a particular sensitivity in Scotences to "sham" Christian values were not directed at Mr Blair personally. land, where Labour support Responding to the cardi-nal's comments yesterday, among underprivileged Catholics has been coming under pressure from Scottish deputy shadow Scottish secretary John McFall welcomed nationalists.

Bullying in the police 'increasing'

ing of equal opportunities." The comments come in the Duncan Campbell Crime Correspondent wake of a series of industrial tribunals in which women of-

ficers have claimed to have been the victims of oppres-HERE has been a rise in bullying in the police service and an "unacsive conduct by their male colleagues. But the report also had enceptable" level of racist and sexist banter, according to a report by the Chief Inspector couraging news about police efficiency. Nearly 90 per cent of Constabulary. But the service had made of police forces now met their 999 response times. In the last

great strides in crime-solving year monitored, police had had to respond to a total of 19 and responding to emergen-cies, and public satisfaction million incidents of which 3 million required an immediwith the police remained high. There were wide differate response. More than 7 mil-

ences between police forces in terms of clear-up rates. Con-cern was also expressed at the lion 999 calls were answered, an increase of 13 per cent on the previous year. The report also found there high level of sickness within the service.

had been a decrease in the number of recorded burthe service. The report, the last by the outgoing chief inspector, Sir Frefor Morris, noted "a rise in the incidence of reports of oppressive bullying. There is a continued and unaccontable glaries, and a 10 per cent lower level of crime than three years ago was recorded. The incoming chief inspec-

success of closed-circuit television schemes, carried out in partnership with local gover-meent and business.

harassment often seemed to go unchalenged by victims' harassment offen seemen to go unchalenged by victims' peers or superiors. "Managers were sometimes felt to have little understand-Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary Annual Report 1995/96, available from Her Majesty's Stationary Office.

"inadequate vironment of the people of that he had wanted to proceed ernment still believed that ment is prepared to consult."

Pop on the box Put GP funds 'on hold' tops BBC plan

David Brindle, Social Services Correspondent

Andrew Culf Media Correspondent

RADIO 1 is to be launched on television next year as one of eight subscription channels planned by the BBC. One-TV, likely to be modelled on the European satel-lite music station MTV, will feature Radio 1 presenters and live events, including the annual summer seaside roadshows. The plan, unveiled to cable operators at BBC Television Centre yesterday, aims to pro-

duce the "spirit and essence of Radio 1 on television - bringing the cutting edge of British music to 15- to 34-year-olds". Radio 1 is Britain's mos popular radio station, with 11 million regular listeners, and reaches half those aged be-

tween 15 and 24. The channel will feature the Top 40, which attracts 30 per cent of the radio audience on Sunday afternoons, and could mean presenters Chris Evans, Lisa TAnson, Mark Radcliffe, Mark Goodier, Jo Whiley and Steve Lamacq playing starring roles. The channel is one of eight planned by the BBC in a £300

million commercial venture with Flexiech. They are ex-pected to be available on sat-ellite and cable by next sum-mer. The plans include: Showcase: the best of BBC comedy and drama; Horizons: factual programmes from archives; Style: leisure and lifestyle Arena: daily reviews, twee of the operation against music, theatre and arts the IRA on the mainland programmes; cation channel; • The BBC's director-gen-eral, John Birt, acknowledged

yesterday a rise in complaints about party political bias in the run-up to the election, but added: "Unblased reporting of sharply polarised issues will vertisements will be run in stances will report it immedi-always displease some who the local press. View it through the lens of Launching the 2150,000 ini-tettine David Veness assisstrong convictions.

ABOUR should drop its threat to abolish fund-holding by family docgiven area. However, it is be-coming increasingly difficult tors and instead propose to put the scheme on hold, an influential left-of-centre think to envisage such a fundamen tal re-structuring. From next April, almost 60 per cent of tank says today. Successful fundholders the population of England is likely to have a fundholding GP and many fundholders would be opposed to surren-dering control of secondary-care budgets. The IPPR, which is held in should be "left alone" at least until more is known about the costs and benefits of the scheme, says the Institute for Public Policy Research.

high regard by the Labour leadership, today says that fundholding has had "mixed notices", that many GPs are The warning comes on the eve of a crucial speech by Chris Smith, shadow health secretary, to the annual con-ference of the National half-hearted about it and that Association of Fundholding Practices, in which he will be it confuses the roles of family doctor as carer and resource expected to clarify Labour's policy on general practitio-ners' ability to buy hospital manager. Nevertheless, a report by and other secondary health

care for their patients. Labour has insisted it would scrap fundholding and replace it with a system of GP "put the GP fundholding ini- 50p p&p

commissioning, by which all tiative on hold, with no new family doctors would be in-volved in decision-making on about its relative costs and the planning and purchase of health care for patients in a benefits'

Labour's present policy is to act immediately to prevent any more GPs joining the scheme, but thereafter to negotiate with existing fundholders to persuade them to switch to GP commissioning teams in what Tessa Jowell, shadow health minister, has admitted would be a long process.

The IPPR report, New Agenda for Realth, has been drawn up by Anna Coote, the Institute's deputy director, and David Hunter, director of the Nuffield health institute at Leeds University.

The authors reiterate the view, put forward in a previous IPPR report, that "more money will not solve NHS problems".

the institute acknowledges: "Undoubtedly, fundholding New Agenda for Health; IPPR, 30-32 Southampton Street, London WC2E 7RA; £9.95 plus

Police call on criminals and 'dodgy' car dealers to help them in tracking down IRA

tant commissioner of the Met-Duncan Campbell Crime Correspondent ropolitan police, said: "Terrorists have to live somewhere, they have to not some their equipment and explo-sives somewhere and they need vehicles to move around PROFESSIONAL criminals and "dodgy" car dealers could hold the key to thwarting IRA bombing operations on the mainland, it emerged yesterday. It is believed there are at least 10 IRA members in. If you sell a car or let property and you notice some thing suspicious, contact us." There is a reward of £1 milin London preparing attacks. Details of the latest initia tion for information leading to a conviction for terroris activities. It was confirmed yesterday that police are hopemerged as the Metropolitan police launched its first ing the money will appeal to members of the criminal fracounter-terrorism advertising campaign. Posters urging ternity who have been in loose contact with the IRA. people to ring a confidential hotline with information will Some criminals are under stood to have given informa tion to the police already. It is hoped that people who sell ve-hicles in suspicious circumappear in British Rail stations: the Underground and on London buses, and advertisements will be run in stances will report it immeditiative, David Veness, assisabout their tenants.

In recent cases the IRA has bought vehicles over the tele phone and the purchaser has arrived later on a motorcycle wearing a crash helmet and carrying cash. The vehicle has been left with the keys in it for collection, so no one who takes part in the transac-tions can be identified. Antiterrorist officers want such sales to be reported immedi-

sales to be reported immedi-ately. Commander John Grieve, head of the Anti-Terrorist Branch, appealed to the "dodgy end" of the car trade to give information, which could be done anonymously. It is believed that IRA mem-

bers are on the mainland, mainly carrying out recon-naissance of possible targets and preparing safe houses and getaway routes. Experi-enced bombers from Ireland would join them prior to the attacks, it is suggested.

tor, David O'Dowd, welcomed a continued and unacceptable level of racist and sexist ban-ter. While more covert than before, it is nevertheless the improved performances. "The police respond extreanely well to the challenges they face." He highlighted the destructive." Stories of harassment and intimidation against civilian members of staff were of concern particularly as such

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World news in brief

Hands across the sea

UN urges action to avert Zaire exodus

THE United Nations refugee agency expressed concern yester-day about 600,000 Rwandan and Burundian Hutus cut off from foreign aid in eastern Zaire, and fears that reported fighting near huge camps on Rwanda's borders could set off a new refugee exodus.

refugee exodus. A spokeswoman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) urged governments in the region to seek a political solution to the spreading conflict between Zairean troops and Tursi Banyamulenge fighters. "We have absolutely no knowl-edge of the location or situation of more than half a million people who fied fighting... We don't have any precise idea at all where they are or how they are, "she said. The Surpness Union's humanitarian oid commissioner

The European Union's humanitarian aid commissioner, Emma Bonino, said 1 million people could die unless something was done. - Reuter, Geneva.

13 die as ceasefire breaks

GUNMEN killed 13 people and critically wounded 17 others in a drive-by attack yesterday at a crowded junction in south Mogadi-shu, witnesses said. They said five men in a pick-up truck fired machine guns and threw grenades.

The attack violated a 13-day-old ceasefire agreed by Somalia's three main faction leaders.

The incident took place in a part of the city controlled by Hussein Aidid. Forces loyal to another faction leader, Osman Hassan Ali, known as Arto, were suspected of carrying out the attack, which may have been in retaliation for the killing of three Atto officials - AP. Mogadishu

Leader held for Pinochet slur

CHILE'S Communist party leader, Gladys Marin, was arrested yesterday on charges of defaming former dictator General Au-gusto Pinochet.

Police said she would be brought before a judge after the army accused her of defaming Gen Pinochet by asserting that he was personally reponsible for the deaths of thousands of dissidents

during his 1973-1990 rule. An investigative panel appointed by the civilian government that succeeded him determined that 2,095 people were killed for political reasons and 1,102 more disappeared. — AP, Santiago.

Bishop denies Kohl invitation

THE 1996 Nobel peace laureate and Roman Catholic bishop of East Timor, Carlos Belo, yesterday denied receiving an invitation to meet Heimut Kohl during the German chancellor's two-day visit to Indonesia earlier this week. He added that he would not have attended even if he had been invited, because of prior engagements, but suggested he could meet Mr Kohl in December when he travels to Europe to collect his prize. Mr Kohl said on Monday that an invitation had been issued

more than a month ago and that Bishop Belo had said he could not attend. — John Aglionby, Jakarta.

Priests 'older and fewer'

VATICAN officials yesterday painted a grim picture of the state of the Catholic priesthood in Europe, saying that fewer and older priests are working in a "strongly hedonistic" culture that makes it tough to attract young people to the clergy.

But, despite a 13 per cent drop in the number of priests on the continent from 1978-94, ordinations and the number of trainees are up. And defections from the priesthood fell from 676 in the first year of John Paul IT's papacy to 238 in 1994. - AP, Vatican.

Judge hurt in Cypriot blast



tion of hi-tech businesses no future. Employers' costs during the 1980s. In return for investing in former mining, steel and ship-building areas, the companies lavsla.

RENCH factory workers who are los-ing their jobs on a hi-fi assembly line, received billions of pounds in government and EU grants, and secured European because their Japamarkets For the likes of Aline Rado-

nese employer is concentrat-ing production in Scotland, sevic, whose father was a steel worker and was laid off at the age of 38, the departure will tell a government minis-ter today that they have been of JVC is proof that eastern France is heading for its latthe victims of a European

Peter to pay Paul."

Union subsidies lottery. A delegation of nine est depression. "JVC got a grant of Fr2 bilwomen, representing 243 lion (£225,000) to expand its television assembly plant outworkers who assemble mid-priced hi-fi systems for JVC in the industrial zone around side Glasgow," she said. "Last the village of Villers-la-Monyear, they transferred part of our audio production there. tagne, in eastern France, claim the company is leaving because it has exhausted EU money here; it's like robbing

Even if that happens, the women know they will be just may be low in Britain but still they cannot compete with Mathe latest example of the Miss Banny and her coltransformation of an area leagues - some of them sup-porting their husbands and where people once had father-to-son jobs for life into one of "relay factories".

many of them single mothers - are far from resigned to their fate. Last week, they

The JVC factory worker (left) now assembling TV sets in East Kilbride may soon be doing the work of her French counterpart, making hi-fi sets

This growing phenomenon autumn of discontent to ees companies move into a match that which paralysed 'When they finish in Scotland they'll return to the Far

East, having spent 10 years benefiting from subsidies and securing a foothold in the European market'

and some of us re-employed."

held hostage five of the com- | blighted area and receive | Paris last winter, small pripany's directors for a day. On Thursday they plan a one-day grants, and then leave when the incentives or profits run creasingly the scene of strife.

not be done. We shall tell the | eign investments and take overs — seen as being agreed with few job guarantees. Last week, the Franch government minister that when companies apply for grants in devel-opment zones they must sold part of the state-owned promise not only to create jobs but to stay for 10 years." While France has not, as Thomson group to Daewoo, of South Korea.

yet, descended into an Trade union activism is very limited in France's private sector - only 40 of JVC's 243 staff at Villers-la-Montagne are union members. National unemployment is 12.5 per cent, and higher in areas such as the east. Maria Lamagra aged 32 said: "We have our determiation, though

"There are jobs in Luxem-bourg, just a few miles away, but they are falling in number

"This area used to be

'Lottery' losers mourn jobs

The Guardian Wednesday October 30 1996





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JUDGE Michalis Mayronicholas arrives in a serious condition at hospital in Nicosla, Cyprus, after a bomb exploded outside his Limassol home yesterday. Neither the attackers nor the motive were known but police will investigate a possible link to his work Photograph; Philip Mari

Stallion back on target

A CHAMPION stallion in New Zealand has been put on an experimental fertility programme previously used on humans after failing to match his racecourse success on the stud farm. Maroof managed just 22 successes in 65 attempts as a sire. But

thanks to the mystery treatment from Auckland University, his success rate has improved to eight out of 13. — Reuter, Hamilton

Pageant protesters play dirty

INDIAN police arrested 16 women who stormed a Bangalore showroom yes sterday and smeared goods made by a Miss World sponsor with cow dung and coal tar to protest at next month's ant, which they say demeans women. - AP, Bangalore.

Pointing to her inflamed left elbow, she said: "They former steel area and now inends to profit from hand-outs in Scotland. recently took some of our ma The company - which chines to Scotland. On the as sembly line we have to push nanufactures televisions at East Kilbride, near Glasgow the hi-fis manually along the

- last year expanded its Scot band.' But Mrs Radosevic, who will be laid off at the end of tish operation to include the production of mldi-systems previously made at the fac-tory near the border with January unless a buyer to take over the factory is found,

Luxembourg. The French plant is now does not resent her Scottish colleagues, even though she believes they are paid considdue to close at the end of January. erably less than the Fr6,554

"When they have finished in Scotland they will return to the Far East, having spent (£710) gross monthly mini-mum at Villers-la-Montagne. Sitting behind a pile of doc 10 years benefiting from subuments which would humble sidies and securing a foothold an average financial director, in the European market," said Catherine Leblan, a 30-Isabelle Banny explained

Miss Leblan's prediction. "The market in hi-tech equipyear-old production line ment — such as televisions, video recorders and hi-fis -Meurthe-et-Moselle, where the JVC factory opened in has slumped by 30 per cent in

the past three years. "Glasgow's industrial his-1988, is one of dozens of European industrial regions - including parts of Wales, north-ern England and Scotland -tory is similar to ours, but ern England and Scotland — they must be warned that Far which competed for the atten- Eastern investment provides

strike. The women Before JVC's eight-year tenwho are ure of the factory, it was owned for two years by Thommostly aged under 35 because French employers receive grants to employ young people — are not drawing up plans for a buy out. "There is

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son electronics, which em-ployed 100 people. Yesterday, a compact disc manufacturer no market for hi-fis," said was looking around the site. Miss Banny said: "We want our experience to serve as an

"The best we can hope for is that the factory will be sold example of how things should rising indignation over for-



Scotland's strong cards □ Manufacturing productiv-ity annual growth rate of 5.2 ity annual growth rate of 2.7

D Less onerous restrictions on labour - UK workers put in an average 41 hours a week against EU average of 39; □ Days lost to industrial dis-Nancy putes in the UK were 24 per 1,000 workers, according to latest Eurostat figures in 1992;

more extensive: Success of other inward investors attracts more compa-nies. Inward investment in Scotland announced this year 60 miles

□ Wages councils under Social Chapter can set pay; □ Output per bour in manuis more than \$2.7 billion.

Russian power play made public

clock factory.

per cent;

France's drawbacks

In Normandy, workers for known as Black Teras, be Moulinex are currently procause of the coal and iron ore. testing against 2,000 job cuts. South of Villers-la-Montagne, Now all that industry has gone and we are seeing that riot police recently ended a the painful, partial recovery three-month sit-in by workers who had been laid off at a we made was for nothing."

The company's personnel manager, Régis Spor, denied that JVC had let down its workers. We brought eight The localised private sector uproar has come at a time of years of employment to this area and in 1992 we employed

300 people. "We have paid Fr26 million in in taxes and Fr75 million in

social charges." He said the company had received Fr22.3 million in grants from the French state nd from the EU, but had in-D Higher cost of labour: up to vested Froo million.

He conceded that the Euro-pean audio market had been 25 per cent more than the UK: Days lost to industrial disputes: 37 per 1,000 workers; in decline since 1993, while denying that JVC was in the process of abandoning S7 per cent higher than the UK as benefits in France are

But a JVC official added: "It to open an audio plant any-where in Europe now. All profacturing about 30 per cent of duction is going back to the UK level. Far East."

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At his desk, he was a politiclan who knew his own mind:

There can be no friends in day with a documentary, The politics. There can only be Unknown Chernomyrdin. The 56-year-old prime minister has never enjoyed an easy relationship with the media, his fumbling style has

him as an immensely wealthy bureaucrat, who placed his sons in important Gazprom most likely allies. Under the pragmatic, non-doctrinaire posts and built himself a large dacha outside Moscow.

But Mr Chernomyrdin is emerging from the power-struggle at the Kremlin as one of the most legitimate succes-sors to Mr Yeltsin. Under the constitution, he will take over as head of state while the president is incapacitated.

If the operation goes wrong, and Mr Yeltsin never fully recovers, Mr Chernomyrdin will retain the powers of head of state and commander-inchief of the armed forces for a further three months, pending new elections, making him a key figure. In that time, he could form

powerful alliances, which

leadership of Gennady Zyu-ganov, they supported the principles of transferring the presidential powers to the prime minister and of increasing the powers of the government

His main rival in this is An-atoly Chubais, the head of the presidential administration who has been seeking to minimise the period that presiden-tial powers can be transferred

to the prime minister. Although Mr Yeltsin has signed a decree to transfer these powers to Mr Chernomyrdin, he must sign a second decree to activate the first, just before he has sur-

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gery. A third decree will deac-tivate the same when the president has recovered his working powers.

Do you want to fall asleep during the film, feel put down by the career girls at the party, desperately resist the cigarettes you're trying to give up, pay a fortune to a babysitter and have to be home by 11.30? Louisa Young on having children and a social life G2 page 12

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din, is being presented as a safe, healthy and reliable acting head of state as the countdown begins to Presi-dent Borls Yeltsin's heart

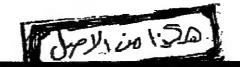
operation. The campaign to show the former head of Gazprom, Rus-sia's state gas industry, in a different light began on Mon-

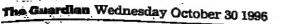
To counteract this, the pro-gramme attempted to reveal

comrades-in-arms. In politics you have to act tough sometimes. I am used to relying on people, I cannot stand deceit. I cannot stand lies, and I do been the butt of many jokes. not forgive them." This performance will con-vince few Russians who know

David Hearst in Moscow says the push to promote the prime minister has begun HE Russian prime minis-ter. Viktor Chernomyr- | grey, bureaucratic exterior. grey, bureaucratic exterior. He revealed his talents as

an accordion player, and was shown on a jet-ski. He admitted to liking the odd dash of vodka and regretted not having more time for beautiful





Confident of election victory, the White House cast is jockeying for position

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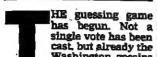
Stephanopoulos, the boy-won-der adviser who achieved po-litical stardom in the 1992 campaign, has said he hopes

to move on after five years at Bill Clinton's side, fearing burn-out. Rumour has him taking a job in Hollywood's entertainment industry, or

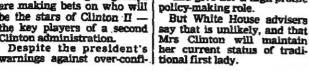
Hillary Clinton: likely to Richard Holbrooke: 'too Madeleine Albright: tipped play traditional first lady cocky' for state department to succeed Christopher national security role general's post beckons handed the defence job remain at the treasury for state department **Clinton's rising stars eye top roles**



Jonathan Freedland In Washington



Washington gossips are making bets on who will be the stars of Clinton II the key players of a second **Clinton** administration



denice, his afters are privacy presuming victory and pon-dering their next moves. Attention is focusing on two or three glamour jobs and the future role of the team's very risky to appoint his wife most controversial member: to the healthcare job, and he has resolved not to repeat his Hillary Clinton. Leading Republicans have warned that a re-elected Pres-ident Clinton would take his mistake."

Critics who predict an enlarged role for Mrs Clinton wife out of the shadows where see It as part of an inevitable leftward shift by the presi-dent once he is liberated from the pressures of re-election. she has lurked since her 1994 failure to overhaul healthcare - and give her a high-profile

playing gamekeeper-turned-poacher and signing on as a correspondent for CBS News. Aides disagree. "The way things have been going for the last couple of years is how it will be in the next four," one source said, noting that Mrs Clinton no

him is his deputy, Harold Ickes, a veteran political oper-

The favourite to replace him is the ambassador to the United Nations, Madeleine Albright, Mr Clinton would ative. Promotion would be a reward for his stewardship of the 1996 campaign. But President Clinton may baulk at the last minute — elevating a New York liberal like Mr dearly love to appoint the first female secretary of state, and Ms Albright is an accomand his Aloright is an accom-plished television performer. But some say she is not smart enough for the job — her nickname is Half-Bright. lckes could send the wrong signal at the start of a new term. The third California-bound

Clintonite has the most Other contenders include The White House chief of staff, Leon Panetta, is also planning to head west soon after inauguration day in Janformer senator George Mitch-ell, chairman of the Northern

"They learned the pitfalls during the first two years," said one administration offi-cial yesterday. "Even the president has admitted it was will be movement. George will be movement. George him is his deputy, Harold to return to be movement. George him is his deputy, Harold to return to be movement. George him is his deputy, Harold to return to be movement. George him is his deputy, Harold to return to be movement. George him is his deputy at the transfer to movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement of the movement. George him is his deputy harour of the movement of the

lacklustre Anthony Lake.

lan Katz in New York

scandal to remain at housing and energy respectively. Janet Reno likes being at-torney-general, but has Par-Clinton. His consolation might be the UN ambaasadorship. Strobe Talbott, Mr Christo-

pher's deputy, would be con-sidered only if the Democrats kinson's disease and is likely to be pushed aside to make way for the commerce secreretake the senate, otherwise Republicans would crush his nomination. Instead he is

tary, Mickey Kantor. For the record, Bob Dole has hinted at those who would serve in his adminislikely to become national se-curity adviser, replacing the tration, including retired gen-William Perry is anxious to move on from the Pentagon, where the CIA director, John eral Colin Powell and former

secretary of state James Ireland peace talks and where the CIA director, John Baker, but few peop widely seen as the safe option. Deutch, is equally keen to ing much attention. Baker, but few people are pay-

Parties trade dirty money claims

The funding of both campaigns is proving embarrassing, writes Martin Walker

THE Republican National | until after election day next | Policy Institute in New York. Committee yesterday | Tuesday. | The US exported \$15 billion

filed a lawsuit against their Democratic counterparts, as a new report suggested that the Republicans were benefiting from the international arms trade. The Republicans were outmoney

raged when the Democratic National Committee said it would not comply with the Federal Election Commission rule that says it should list all donations received over the last filing period, October 1-15. Insisting that "no money was spent directly on behalf of President Clinton or other candidates in that time", the

going to Republicans. The arms exporters got DNG said it was therefore under no legal requirement to This quibble is unlikely to stand up in court, but it could have bought enough time to

in arms sales in 1995, of which more than half were paid for by US grants, loans and subsidies. By far the big-The Republicans want the data to prove their contention that the Clinton campaign "is bought and sold and paid for by secretive, mysterious and even plain illegal Asian gest payer for US arms ex-ports is the taxpayer, rather than Saudi Arabia or Taiwan, But Republicans have their which, the report says, makes a friendly Congress essential own campaign finance embar-

rassments. US-based arms exporters have become one of the most generous sectors of US industry in their political contributions, more than two-thirds of their total donations of \$6.5 million (19.75 million)

their money back many-times over, as US government ex-port subsidies for arms sales delay publication of the data published today by the World sound management in his

to the industry. There were three main in-dividual beneficiaries of the Republican Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, received more than \$51,000 from the arms industry. The Lockheed-Martin corporation which is based in his constit-uency had to take back \$2,200 when they gave him more than the legal limit. "The Speaker touts Lock-heed-Martin as a model of

controversial television lec-ture series Renewing Ameri-can Civilisation, which was started with a \$10,000 contri-bution from Lockheed back in 1991," says William Hartung, an expert on the global arms trade, who wrote the report. The second beneficiary was Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, who led the fight to beat off a bipartisan attempt to impose a code of conduct on arms exporters that would make it difficult to sell arms to dictatorships or to

countries with a poor human rights record. Senator McConnell was successful. His campaign funds benefited

to the tune of \$65,000. The third beneficiary was Congresswoman Jane Har-mon, a California Democrat, who led the fight in the House to preserve the government-guaranteed loan fund to finance foreign arms sales that was finally authorised at \$15 billion. She received \$57,250 in campaign donations from



Bob Dole speaks at a rally in California, as a report suggests the Republicans are benefiting from arms sales

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'Crib-sheet king' faces legal test over time-zone cheating scam

> ashi \$6,000 and travelled to Los Angeles to take the ad-

N advertisements for his American Test Centre, George Kobayashi boasted of a "unique method" of or a "unique method" of preparing students for the standardised tests to gain a place on graduate degree courses. The Los Angeles-based businessman guaran-teed that his students world achieve the test to the multiple choice queswould achieve the test

results they required. But Mr Kobayashi's tech-nique was not based on expert tuition. Instead, he alhis scheme this month. He was told to ring a telephone legedly operated an elaborate cheating scheme involving expert test-takers number during a break in his exam and instructed to collect his coded pencils. and coded pencils and ex-ploiting the three-hour time difference between the

Authorities believe hun-dreds of students used Mr east and west coasts of the United States. Kobayashi's system to secure places on graduate courses. The Educational

Now Mr Kobayashi, aged 45, faces up to five years in prison and \$250,000 Testing Service, the New (£160,000) in fines if he is Jersey company which ad-ministers the tests, says it convicted on fraud charges. Students paid Mr Kobaywill invalidate their tests.

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mission exam while expert examinees working for him took the test in New York under assumed names. They relayed the answers tions to Los Angeles, where his staff engraved them in code on coloured pencils which were then supplied to his students. Clients also received advance notice of essay subjects in the exam. Mr Kobayashi was rum-bled when an undercover postal inspector enrolled in

the industry

DON'S CRIME

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We can raise standards

Prevention is a far better policy than exclusion

the courthouse to the classroom yester- disintegrated life which an increasing day - with equally dire results. The number of urban communities are suf-Secondary Heads Association was right fering or solve the serious emotional to condemn both major parties for their problems of a growing number of disto condemn both major parties for their readiness to indulge in "political leapfrogging" over school discipline. Which is worse: corporal punishment or compulsory school contracts? Yesterday dawned with the Education Secretary raising the prospect on the BBC Today programme of a return to caning in state schools. The normally rational Gillian Shephard confessed she had never been opposed to corporal punishment and still regarded it as "a very useful deterrent". Within two hours, she had been slapped down by the Prime Minister who made it clear that a practice which was banned in prisons and the military services decades ago was certainly not being reintroduced against children. Then Mrs Shephard's shadow, David Blunkett, who has been equally rational about raising standards and improving discipline, went over the top with the suggestion that home-school contracts should be made compulsory for seven million pupils in 25,000 schools. Roll on election day and a calmer-period of policy-making.

Yesterday's debate coincided with dramatic disciplinary events in two separate schools: the closure of Manton juniors near Worksop in Nottinghamshire by its headteacher after governors insisted on a disruptive 10-year-old boy returning to mainstream classes; and the threatened strike by teachers at the shared interest in ensuring one disrup-Riding secondary school in Halifax who want 60 children to be excluded or tion of other pupils. Labour has been expelled.

It is time to remind ministers, education administrators and school gover- But such contracts are unnecessary for nors of the limits of teachers' influence. | the vast majority of parents. Far better Typical pupils spend more time in front to concentrate on specific contracts for of the television than in front of their difficult children than waste hours teachers. Only 15 per cent of a pupil's drawing up bland generalised contracts waking time is spent in class. Schools for the multitude.

THE ELECTION auction moved from | alone cannot be expected to restore the ruptive children. The causes - and solutions - lie far wider than the education system, as the feature on the decline in civic responsibility in our Society section documents today. In-deed, a recent Gallup poll showed this was widely understood by the public with 83 per cent believing moral values and behaviour were learned in the home compared to just 13 per cent who

thought it was at school. Even so, schools can still make a significant difference. Every pupil supposedly spends 15,000 hours in class. Just as there are unacceptably wide gaps in educational achievement between schools with similar catchment areas, so too there are insupportably deep differences in managerial competence. The two issues should not be separated: Michael Rutter demonstrated a decade ago that good management (punctuality, coherent goals, welldefined discipline) can and does raise standards. Something was seriously wrong with the management of the Riding School. Teachers who want to exclude 60 pupils have lost control and need to examine their own professionalism. The long-running Manton dispute is different. No one should be surprised that local parents have aligned themselves with teachers: they have a tive pupil does not interrupt the educaright to push home-school contracts. Prevention is far better than exclusion.



Letters to the Editor It's a Cardinal error

INDA Grant has missed view on abortion. He has sup-the point (Please keep ported the present law because the point (Please keep God out of the ballot box, October 25). Christian Social-ism has never sought to "saturate public life with its God-authorised prohibitions". For many of us the Christian faith is too important to be left to the Tories or the strictures of the religious right - and politics is too vital to be left to those who say that the economy, employment and the market are all moral-free zones We do not want Britain to be

theocracy, nor should there be a Christian Party and we abhor the attempt to enlist God within a party or to make the election hinge on one issue. We live in a multi-cultural and multi-faith world and our future must lie in discovering a moral purpose that embraces the wisdom of Ialam, of Jud aism and of humanism as well as Christianity; but we cannot pretend that legislation is ever morally neutral. Chris Bryant.

he recognises that in the agonising circumstances many women face, their decisions should not be made subject to the criminal law. This is the position he has taken since he wrote in 1988: "Any sensible person is against abortion. The real question is whether the law should make criminal those who face the acute moral and personal dilemma of carrying an unwanted child and decide to abort; to force where we have failed to persuade. When we reject this proposition we do not in any sense deny the rights of the foetns or affirm a belief in abortion. We merely reject the law as the best instrument to resolve the conflicts between the rights of the foetus or child and those of

the woman". Mr Blair is also committed to maintaining abortion as a matter of conscience for MPs. Janet Anderson MP. Shadow Minister for Women, House of Commona, London SW1A 0AA

HE allegation that Labour is totalitarian is a bit rich from a Cardinal who defends Osborne House,

to urge the Roman Catholic Church to have a full and informed debate (without interference from the Vatican) on contraception, abortion, divorce, celibacy, homosexuality and the ordination of women? (Rev) Peter Colwell

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AFEW years ago a nun was Araped; the Catholic church, on the orders of the Pope, allowed her to have an abortion. I don't recall the head of the Catholic church in Scotland condemning the human decision on that occasion. William Benton. 128 Allcroft Road. Hall Green

Birmingham 11.

A M I alone in suspecting a not very subtle diversion ary ploy in Cardinal Win-ning's insistence that Mr Blair declare his position on abortion? In the wake of wayward Scottish bishops, the Catholic church would do well to keep a more humble profile and stick to the principle Il faut cultiver notre jardin. S R Gibson.

The right to be married, single or separated - free of judgment -

why Tariq Ali's partner why Tariq Ali's pariner would have to give up "her rights" if she married (Better red than wed, October 29). I have been happily married for many years and have not given up "my rights" to any-thing. One almost feels apolo-getic to be a wife instead of a partner these days. Marriage is portrayed to be claustropho-bic, old-fashioned and certain doom to any loying relation-Main Street,

doom to any loving relation-ship. If that is the case, why are homosexuals so anxious to claim it for themselves? I am a feminist, have my "own space", my own bank ac-count, my own friends, my own interests and make my own decisions. But then most married women do. Joyce Hausaman. Bakers Lane, Sale M33.

WAS born illegitimate in the chaos of the second world war and brought up in a small west of England town. Throughout my childhood and adolescence my mother and I were constantly reminded of our inferior status. Apart from the one "lapse" she led a blameless life and worked Ann Pickering

AM at a loss to understand grow up in the poisonous why Tariq Ali's partner moral climate I endured and which the Tory Party in its current fit of righteousness seems determined to recreate. Richard Green.

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PART of our eight-year-old daughter Judith's contribution to her school was to belp draft and develop her schools' behaviour policy. Her two contributions were that pupils, teachers and parents should always apologise when wrong and should find out the facts before telling someone

These two moral prescrip-tions would seem to us to sit comfortably within any child's growing moral aware-ness. As Judith is also the child of separated, never-married parents we're left wondering what kind of canting family ideology she is expected to use to arrive at these perspectives rather than "the usual mish-mash of soft-centred waffle" she has used to date? John Offord.

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Israel's moment in history

If Mr Netanyahu seizes it, he may become a great leader

HERE IS HEBRON, and there is beyond Hebron. At the moment the Israeli-Palestinian talks are bogged down on the first item dividing them, let alone the other issues still ahead. Israel claims that it is not seeking to alter the agreement already reached (but not implemented) on withdrawal from the last of the seven West Bank cities handed over to Palestinian self-rule. It is only seeking to "change the modalities." These include taking to mobilise all the international support away the existing right of Palestinian police to carry agreed weapons in Hebron, and giving Israeli soldiers a new right of hot pursuit into the city. Nor has Israel yet agreed to reopen the main thoroughfare, Shuhada or Martyrs' Street, from which the indigenous population has been banned for the past two years.

To the Palestinian Authority, these are much more than "modalities." As Dr Nabil Shaath said yesterday in London, the right of hot pursuit means that the Israelis have not, after all, withdrawn. To restrict the liberty of 100,000 Arabs because of a small colony of 400 Jews in the heart of Hebron is patently unfair. More fundamentally, says Dr Shaath, to change the agreement "even by one comma" would open the entire set of agreements, past and present, to no terrorist bombs since the election. being revised. The fact is that by entering into these negotiations at all, the PA has accepted the need to make some concessions. Its problem is how to limit | tunity to become not just a smart leader their extent and then persuade Israel to but a great one. It will not be open for fulfil its other agreed obligations. very long.

Yasser Arafat chose yesterday to take a break, proceeding on his scheduled European tour. Binyamin Netanyahu claims that this is Palestinian "foot-

dragging" — a rich claim from the Li-kud leader who has held up the peace process since he was elected. No doubt Mr Arafat is hoping to gain by the delay, and the Palestinians are encouraged by the revival of European interest in their problems, and are seeking which they can win. But sooner rather than later, the signs are that they are going to settle on Hebron.

What will come after Hebron? The Palestinians assert that they occupy the moral high ground, but right now Israel clearly has the muscle and the weight. The question is whether Mr Netanyahu can see beyond his immediate advantage to the abyss which will open up in the longer term. In an understated way, he is still being given the benefit of the doubt by Mr Arafat and his ministers. They realise that he won hardline support for his coalition by injudiciously promising to reverse what had been agreed. They hope he is beginning to realise just how dangerously this could end. The streets are quiet again in spite of the recent clashes: there have been Many other Palestinians are less forgiving. If Mr Netanyahu can be persuaded to realise it, he has a window of oppor-

Cooking up a new constitution

It's good to talk about reform, but talk about the monarchy too

INTER-PARTY cooperation on reform | tions for the whole hereditary peerage is good politics and right in principle. system. Lord Archer's bill is a useful The more forethought that goes into the planning of complex and inter-related constitutional reforms the better. So yesterday's announcement that recent private constitutional talks between Labour and the Liberal Democrats are now to go public is welcome on both counts. The idea that Labour can drift into office with sketchy reform ideas on which they have not consulted anyone is a non-starter. Robin Cook and Robert Maclennan are engaging in vital work which deserves full support.

Contrast that systematic approach to the constitutional agenda with the trivial one of Lord Archer and his friends. Having previously denounced Labour for trying to reform the constitution, Lord Archer has now come up with a reform bill to abolish male primogeniture from the law of royal succession, a plan which also has extensive implica-

reminder that the future of the monarchy is a matter for Parliament (which could, if it so wished, unseat the Windsors and replace them with the Archers). But of all the constitutional issues needing reform, royal male primogeniture is pretty low down the list. At least Lord Archer is proving that

constitutional reform is not a no-go area for Conservatives; it has been a long time since any leading Tory admitted that. And at least he is implicitly recognising that the monarchy is a legitimate area of public debate. Sadly, Labour still refuses to accept this obvious truth and one of its spokespersons. Doug Henderson MP, even produced the immortal idiocy yesterday that "The Labour Party believes in a strong monarchy". Come back Charles I, all is forgiven? Let's hope Messrs Cook and Maclennan can do better than that.

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Deci litarianism of the support Cardinal Winning's | ican. Can we now expect him | Kent CT14 7PH.

Sperm counts

ONY Blair is under attack

Chair, Christian

Socialist Movement

36 Old Queen Street

London SW1H 9JF.

FURTHER to my suggestion that males who are overly keen on football may well be lacking in the horizontal shooting and scoring depart-ment (The Week, October 19), I see that Italian — of all the football-mad nations - doc-tors have concluded after a four-year study that a third of adolescent boys who play foot-ball frequently (more than 10 hours a week) will face fertility problems as adults.

Apparently, soccer practice (as opposed to theory; the middle class grouples of the al-legedly beautiful game need not lose sleep) aids and abets the development of a "varico-cele" — "a varicose vein around the sperm-carrying cord." In a letter to the Lancet, the researchers also pointe out that boys between 10 and 14 who indulged in nothing

Bar none

T MAY come as a surprise to Anthony Julius (The butt stops here, October 26) but even lawyers have a patron saint to plead their cause in beaven. He is Saint Yvo of Brittany (1253-1303), a lawyer who, to the shock of his legal brethren, gave his services to the poor without charge. The indicate the shock of his legal the poor without charge. The indigent were also amazed, saying of him: "Advocatus et non lairo, res miranda populo (a lawyer and not a thief, a marvel to the people). Blake Swann. Cygnus House, High Street, Saffron Walden, Essex.

So the Alliance and Leices-Ster can bribe a borrower for the permission to convert, (Alliance offers flat-rate \$1,000 float windfall, October 29) but totally ignore the long-term loyal customer of Girobank, which it obtained at a knockdown price in the Government "sale of the century", and from which it obtains large profits with which to subsidise those bribes. Kenneth Brewer. 19 Hillary Crescent, Walton on Thames, Surrey KT12 2DE. OLONIALISTS carved up

Cafrica into nation states regardless of tribal loyalties. Surely the cure for this wretched continent is for rich former colonial countries to sit down with the leaders of Africa and redraw the map? Daphne Corder. 51 Nassington Road, London NW3 2TY.

adequate definition of what a combat knife is (When the knives are out, October 29). Why can't manufacturers submit knives which have legitimate uses, such as kitchen or medical knives, for ap-proval? Knives which are not submitted or not approved would be banned. This would allow police to confiscate them, to charge those caught in possession of them and those found selling them.

P Bray. 45 Bluebell Meadow, Winnersh, Berks RG41 5UW.

WHEN I was about 13 I had a knife with a blade very similar to the one you pic-Manchester M20 SQY.

Tunnel-vision on rail investigation OU quote Glenda Jackson | claims of those who have suf-(Legal moves by victims of fered injury or loss. That is no rail crash, October 23) as saydifferent to what applied prior ing that rail privatisation is to privatisation. The difference turning inquiries (of serious railway incidents) into bucknow is that, rather than claim against the single BR Board, passing exercises. Privatisathird parties may claim tion has made no such differagainst the single claims hand-ling agency. Railway Claims Limited, which has been speence. The Health and Safety Executive is fully independent and, as such, entirely free to cifically established to deal make up its own mind about with claims for compensation. the cause of railway incidents.

Sir George Young. The HSE is currently carry-Secretary of State ing out its investigation into the Watford crash and will for Transport, Great Minster House, publish a special report. Those 76 Marsham Street findings will be relevant to the | London SW1P 4DR.

hard to bring me up correctly. Larkbere Roa I would not wish any child to | London SE28.

Uprooting the forest demons

MARTIN Kettle (The enemy in the forest, October 25) wrongly relates the rise of civ-invitical premisea. ilisation directly to the elimi-Paul Price. nation of trees. Woodwrights Timber

Landscape study over the past 20 years has demolished the myth of trees covering the Framing British landscape until the industrial revolution. People have always used trees. Per-sistent dominant "forests" did not "ensure our collective pov-

erty", rather, the effective management of woodland cre-ated and maintained wealth.

The justification for allotting landscape area to woodland is different today. Needs have changed. Economically, woodlands are now important mainly for timber and for re-creation. Now, and in the future, a sustainable, renewable, supply of native timber remains important to our self-

reliance. Environmentalists are often uninformed about the nature of trees. Keeping our woodland has always involved cutting mature trees for timber and allowing new ones to grow. They also paint an incorrectly rosy view of woodland history. However, reacting by painting a dark demonised view of

A Country Diary

ILRLEY to WINDERMERE: Up Oughtershaw Beck; towards Cam Houses, the high mosses are ginger and beige, dominated by reddish brown cotton grass and fading mo-linia. Puddles and water in ruts and hoof prints reflect patches of blue sky and ahead is the stepped dome of Ingle-borough, catching rain amongst curtains and shafts of cloud and sunlight. Across the watershed, from the Roman Cam High Road, a huge vista includes Pen y Ghent and Whernside with Ribblehead Viaduct silhouetted against the afternoon's watery sun. From Ilkley we walked up the Wharfe valley through mead-ows, past Bolton Abbey, along the Strid's chasm where water was unusually quiet, beside leats and weirs with converted mills, to Burnsall's popular field above a beach of white pebbles. North from Grassington we crossed ancient settlements and field systems where limestone walls blend with natural crags, scars and pikes in folded, pale-turfed hills. At Kettlewell we adwith clouds. mired the dense network of

Anne's Cottage Wimborne St Giles Dorset BH21 5NG.

HE backdoor privatisation of our woodlands continues despite Mr Major's election promise "not to privatise the Forestry Commission" and Mr ang's Commons statement that "the FC woodlands should remain in the public sector."

Some 2,680 public woodiands (46 per cent of the total) have been sold, only 48 with official public access agreements. Freedom to roam is invariably

The Government must be shamed into stopping this harmful sell-off.

Philip Greig. Bridge Farm, Hannington Wick, Swindon, Wiltshire SN6 7RX Please Include a full postal

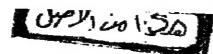
address, even on e-mailed letters, and a telephone number. We may edit letters: shorter woodland and trees, "a ones are more likely to appear.

> ******* stockproof drystone walls, en-closing bright green grass and distinctive isolated barns, some filled with hay and straw, a few ruined around invading trees. The Wharfe was low but, after a rainy

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of Lune we leave the swirling river, daunted and subdued as we near the roaring M6, crossing over it on a cow creep. Two days westwards the Lakeland summits are suffused VIRGINIA SPIERS

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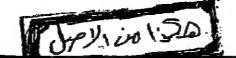
more than the minimum sessively kicking a coarse required physical jerks were 100 per cent clear of this vilesphere around a muddy field? Or if they do want to either be sounding affliction. with men or look at men every hour of their waking leisure time — should they not be en-couraged to come clean and If a woman smokes or drinks, she is considered to be bad breeding stock; in the US, she can be imprisoned for conadmit to their basic homoser-

tinuing these pursuits while pregnant. As men are eager these days to stake their claim uality? In which case procreating would be a marginal issue anyway. Julie Burchill. as equally important parents, should we not frown on those Sussex Arts Club, who deform their seed by ob-Brighton, Susser.

The point of knife laws

THE Government says it tured. It was a gift from a can't ban combat knives relative. Its purpose was to because it can't provide an gut and scale fish. It even relative. Its purpose was to gut and scale fish. It even came in a wooden sheath that doubled as a ruler for measuring my catches. Would this be banned under Jack Straw's proposals? Isn't the point about knives the intent with which they are carried? lain Forsyth. 60 Tring Avenue, London W5 3QB.

> ALL that is needed is a requirement that all knives over a certain blade length be licensed. Unlicensed knives will be illegal; licensed knives will bear a special mark on the blade. John Harris.



enhanced the image of female

corpulence: "We are going to celebrate being fat."

The fact that fat wome

might be smugly indifferent

to male oppression is not the only significant challenge to Orbach's theory. If fat is a

feminist issue, why are 13 per cent of British men obese too (compared with 16 per cent of women)? The answer is con-tained in yet another work of

fat promotion, Richard Klein's book, Eat Fat, which

of being fat?

On dry land, they can save on

central heating, using their

central nearing, using their own insulation. It doesn't really add up to much, does it? Certainly not enough to challenge the medi-

cal statistics, or to convert the majority of people who want to lose, not gain, weight; whose ideal is to be like the Sun's latest heroine. Sylvia

George, who can eat and eat without putting on weight.

Even without compelling arguments on its side, the fat

movement could still make converts if it had some appro-

priate role models. Feminists, after a little searching, came

up with Aphra Behn, and Ar-temisia Gentileschi; they

even made some useful capi-tal from obscure wives, who

could be presented, at a

pinch, as the true authors of their famous husbands' work.

So too, fat campaigners must

seek out great fat people in

history. There's Friar Tuck, of course, Churchill, Dr John-son, Balzac, Hattie Jaques and Oliver Hardy. Many fam-

ous thin people must have fol-

lowed Jack Sprat's example, and lived with stout partners.

Turning to the present day, the fat movement can boast

the figures of Chancellor Kohl, Andrea Dworkin and

Vanessa Feltz. It would be

helpful if the list could also include the female editor of

Encore magazine. But she

turns out to be a size 12. A

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Diary

Matthew Norman

WWITH the proceeds of his Prince Charles book, Jonathan Dimbleby and his missus Bel Mooney have bought themselves a large house in Forkington, east Sussex, just below the Long Man of Wilmington. After the drama of Bel's involvement with the Newbury bypass protest, where better than the sleepy, picturesque vil-lage of Forkington to find a little peace? But would you believe it, the one detail of which Ms Mooney seems unaware is the local campaign to stop the widening of a 12-mile stretch of the nearby A27, on which the Transport Department plans to build a 6-lane plans to built a to-lane pseudo-motorway. Al-though the largest of its kind in Sussex, the A27 action group has an alto-gether different class of pro-tester to Newbury, boasting among its 1 500 members among its 1,500 members Sir Dirk Bogarde, Harold Pinter, Susannah York, and six peers of the realm including Lord Healey. Whether Ms Mooney, with her Newbury background, would be considered too un-couth is uncertain. "I don't think she's a figure of fun.' says one campaigner. "She'd be most welcome to

join us. Do tell her to get in AM enchanted by the phraseology used by the Sun, in its exclusive interview with a woman who claims that her lover Geoffrey Boycott beat her up. "Margaret, 44, made her al-legations," reports the paper, "during a meeting at a London hotel with publicist Max Clifford." Ah, I see, so she was having her meeting with Max, about

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who knows what, when by a tremendous slice of luck the allegations popped out just at the moment a Sun reporter happened to be passing. Such insouciance.

N the Racing Post, I am delighted to read that the jockey Walter Swinburn, three times a Derby winner, has completed his comeback after the very serious injury he sustained in Hong Kong. According to Graham Green's page-three report, Mr Swinburn 'made a fairytale comeback' with a "brilliant Breeder's Cup Turf triumph" in America on Sunday; furthermore, he "achieved his goal when he fully restored his reputaa moral crusade looks set to

tion as a world-class jockey". Marvellous: Mr Swinburn won't ride again this year in Britain, writes Mr Green, but "will ride abroad if he is required for big races". Well, well. Gra-ham Green is to be warmly congratulated on so pithy and readable a report. How he finds the time when he is so busy with his other job -he is Walter Swinburn's

agent - I will never know.

Fashionable feast for fat ladies

Commentary Catherine Bennett

..................... FTER years of merci-A less body fascism. Condé Nast, the com-pany that publishes Vogue, has had a change of heart. It has hearkened to the heart. If has hearkened to the pleas — the breathless, wheezy pleas — of the obese: the chubby and the tubby, the the podgy and the frankly pot bellied. This week it launches Encore, "an exclusive maga-zine created especially for you" — those of you, that is, who are size 16 to 32, with Waisis over 32 inches — a waists over 32 inches - a measurement recently designated a health risk. Vogue House has taken up the cud-gel until now wielded almost exclusively by the massive paw of Dawn French.

As obesity is now consid-ered by the World Health Organisation to be a disease of epidemic proportions, the arrival of a magazine aimed at flattering its sufferers is no less an event than would be

OR ANYONE who

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politicians preach-ing morality, this

will be an uncomfortable

week. The wave of concern

that has followed Frances

Lawrence's call last week for

reach a crescendo this Fri-

day when the National Forum for Values in Educa-

tion publishes its long-

awaited final report. If the leaks are to be be

lieved, the majority report will propose common values — the "new 10 command-ments" — that children will

have to learn by heart, while a minority will demand a far more forceful assertion of

the virtues of the nuclear

for Anybody?) the magazine for women with a serious health problem, is being in-troduced as a sort of victory for good sense, which will help cultivate the self-esteem of "the fuller figured teenage girl, bombarded with images of skinny models" Acute skinniness is danger

ous, occasionally fatal, but the eating disorder of obesity this country. Moreover, all those tyrannical images seem to have had little obvious effect on the nation's weight. Obesity doubled in the last decade. Many schoolchildren now resemble the Hon Nicholas Soames. Few new army recruits can manage more than a shambling trot. Yet, in Encore, obesity is to be cherished. Even when it be cherished. Even when it gets in the way, or makes you feel unhappy. "Show your cleavage and no one will see your double chin", suggests the wily Monica Zipper, En-core's size-20 fashion tipster.

Before long, however, such diversionary ruses may be-come unnecessary. While the Government has more or less given up on obesity, it seems that attitudes are, at last, softening towards selected pork-ers. On television, for

the publication of glossy new instance, the awesome ex-magazines called, say, Snout, panses of Fitz, the Cracker, or Rat-Arsed, aimed at glori-fying smoking and alcohol- by the combined acreage of

comes out next year. He con-firms that fat is no longer, if it ism. Yet Encore (Come | the Two Fat Ladies, Jennifer Again? More Please? Seconds | Paterson and Clarissa Dickever was, a feminist issue: for men like himself, fat is a life-Paterson and Clarissa Dick-son-Wright, who, if anything, play down their cleavages the better to show off their mighty chins and gigantic bellies. The approval show-ered on this short-breathed double-act by female critics shows how far we have ad-vanced since Susie Orbach wrote Fat is A Feminist Issue. Then, Orbach readily ac-cepted that being fat was a style choice. And this, according to Klein, a keen consumer and palpater of fat, both on the plate and on the female body, is how should be. "Fat is beautiful, sery and strong," he exults. "Fat is a fabulous

three letter word." His ideal cepted that being fat was a problem. Even if fat was, in-The fact that fat variably, all the fault of men, it was not, Orbach gracefully women might be conceded, the most well thought-out response: "Fat is indifferent to male an adaptation to the oppres-sion of women and, as such, it oppression is not may be an unsatisfying per-sonal solution and an ineffecthe only significant tual political attack." Which is why these fat women needed Susie Orbach's talk-ing cure for fatness: "It is to challenge to

Orbach's theory this problem that our compulsive eating therapy speaks." But if, as Encore magazine is the Venus of Willendorf. now claims, "diet is a dirty word", the phrase "compul-sive eating therapy" must be equally disagreeable. To not often presented as a rolemodel for the young woman of today. But even Klein has to admit that limitless fat is those at the forefront of fat rehabilitation work, the word not very good for you. His own mother, for example, became so fat she could no longer breathe when asleep --fat must be reclaimed from the adjective ghetto where it languished, until recently, "her fat was suffocating her". alongside such outcasts as Nor do most people seem to

ugly, unhealthy and greedy. share his enthusiasm for fivebellied porn stars. It's just prejudice, he thinks. Next month, at an exhibition voted to images of content ed fat women, the Fat Maybe he's right. After all, most of us are not doctors, Women's Group will present awards to women who have and may feel quite indifferent | ruthless place, Vogue House.

The three Rs: current crusaders want to add two more. But, Geoff Mulgan argues, morality is best formed by experience, not by lectures or rote learning

Rights and wrongs



COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9

Even voting's to embrace physical decrepi-tude followed by uctimely death. We just don't like the look of it. Perhaps, as Klein suggests, we should put this not what it distaste to one side, and con-sider the practical advantages of being fat? For example. If famine returned to these shores, fat people might last longer than thin ones. If a hurricane struck, they might not get blown over so easily. If they fell into an icy sea, the fat might well stay allost longer. On dry land they can say an used to be



DEAR SIR, In the Evening

EAR JM, Kellner is

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late days of Thatcher to get back into office.

As a basis for predicting past contests, that might have worked pretty well. But the nature of British elections has substantially changed. Old loyalties, rational or in-stinctive, have crumbled; we have seen the rise of a shop-around vote, with the parties increasingly offering shoparound programmes. Then there's the new profu-

sion of minor parties. The one which most worries estab-Standard recently, Peter Kellner predicted a Labour majority at the next eleclished parties, of course, is James Goldsmith's. The Teletion of 59 seats. Yet now I read of a Michael Heseltine graph got very excited on Saturday about a poll which it said suggested that the Refer-endum Party might have "a forecasting a Tory win by 60. Who is right? -JM, considerable impact" on the next election. The basis appeared to be that Goldmsith's support had topped 1 per cent. Description of the based on close scrutiny of the Others might think that, given the money spent on press adverts and his Brighevidence. Heseltine is a politician who will say whatever he thinks will best serve the ton love-in, such an impact ton tove-in, such an impact was pretty pitiful. But yester-day, under the heading "Poll bears out Tory fears on Gold-smith", the Telegraph had an-other on the term cause of a Tory fifth term. My advice in these matters has always been unequivocal: go other go, with a poll on behalf of HBSC James Capel among for the one more likely to be bijective. But today, one can't be so 1.000 former Tory voters sure. One reason is the state of the polls. After the 1992 debacle the industry re-exam-More than a third of wavering voters, it found, thought they were likely to vote for the Referendum Party. Those brought up to distrust such hypothetical polls may not share the paper's excitement.

remedies weren't. ICM in the Guardian made radical changes. They switched to random sampling using tele-phones; made substantial corrections to raw results on the pasis of other evidence, including recollection of how respondents had voted before; and publicised "adjusted" fig-ures rather than unadjusted ones. Changes elsewhere were less drastic, while some organisations still preferred unadjusted results to adjusted ones. Thus some newspapers nowadays indicate Labour leads of 30 points or more while others suggest 15.

from rote learning; indeed In the Observer on Septem unless it involves doubts and criticisms, it is hardly a deber 15. Kellner offered himself as a peacekeeping force, suggesting that evidence drawn from the British Household Panel Survey (BHPS) might Many of the best schools have learnt these lessons. Their curricula include opfinally settle the arguments. portunities for children to run their own projects, to But in the sad traditions of civil war, the participants largely ignored him. We now engage with the outside world, and to think rigor-ously about the moral impliseem doomed to go into the coming election with a barrage of oracles all telling difcations of what they do. The ferent stories, and no way of knowing which to prefer until

best try to teach their pupils to think — and philosophy Yet even if the polls were agreed, and right, forecasting would still be tougher than can be discussed as young as five or six - so that they don't end up like most adults relying on one or two allpurpose justifications, such as traditional family values ever. Psephology is deeply attached to precedent. Thus at the last election, some comor relativism, to guide them

main reasons why things went wrong were swiftly agreed. The appropriate Yet in today's uncertain electoral climate, who knows? More unsettling still is the breakdown of the old, tried relationship between votes and seats. Through many elections, analysts simply as sumed a uniform swing in every constituency, and relied on the law of averages to iron out the kinks. That worked well in 1983 and decently well in 1987, but in 1992 it was hopeless. On the basis of uniform swing you'd have expected a Tory lead over Labour of 7.6 per cent to give them a lead in seats of some-thing like 60. In fact it was 21. OME of that may have Sbeen due to Labour's unexpected efficiency

in seats where it mattered most. There was clearly more tactical voting. There was also, perhaps, a greater degree of "kinkiness" in individual constituencies than before. That's a pattern the next election may well repeat, es-pecially in Scotland and Wales — with the redistribu-tion of many seats creating

further uncertainties. The news agency Reuter has created a panel of psepho-logical experts whom it plans to ask every month to fore-cast/guess the election out-come. I'm told that one of this mentators (like me) clung to month's predictions puts

if half the population wishes

OULD it be that, in Cher dotage, the Bar-oness Thatcher has become a republican? Associated Press reports that last week, Lady Thatcher astounded charity event organisers in Spar-tanburg, South Carolina, by requesting for her arrival not God Save The Queen, but America The Beautiful. Lady Thatcher once said scornfally that the monarch was the kind of woman who would vote SDP, but this is hardly an excuse for such behaviour. Treachery is a very strong word indeed, so we'd better not use it. But we are sorely tempted.

EANWHILE, no "we are a grandfather" nonsense from Lady T's old opponent. Neil Kin-nock is keeping a very low profile about his newly-born first grandchild. For those who missed the discreet notice in yesterday's Guardian about this "marvellous new Labour gain", her name is Margaret

Hilda ... just my little joke; she is Johanna Elisa-beth ... and she is the first Kinnock in 1,000 genera-tions to be born in Brussels, where Neil and Glenys's son Stephen also lives with his Danish wife.

HE Fortean Times reports a miraculous escape in Regensdorf, Switzerland. A freak gust of wind carried Aimé Grosjean from his 17th-floor bal-cony and burled him into the air. But just as his future looked bleak, another gust delivered him safely on to the balcony of the 16th floor. That flat's owners were out, and Mr Grosjean walked away with cuts and bruises on his arm.

READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

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family, marriage and monogamy. Even though much of its

contents will turn out to be pretty bland, for many liberals the very idea of the state trying to promote values is objectionable, as well as fu-tile. But the public demand for some action to improve standards of behaviour, all the way from corporate di-rectors shamelessly lining their pockets to young men rampaging down high streets on a Saturday night, is how irresistible.

In any case, governments can't help but influence people's morality. The mes-sages they send through the curricula in schools, through how public services treat people, and how political leaders live their lives, inevitably shape the moral

climate. Unfortunately, like so many debates on morality in modern Britain, this one has gone badly astray. All the lessons learned, over many decades, about how morality a learned seem to have been ignored in a frenzy of pontification.

The first fundamental error is the belief that virtue and morality can be taught rather than learned. In the back of the minds of the Nick Tates and the leader writers is an image of a Victorian teacher spelling out step by step to obedient pupils the differences between right and wrong. In fact, as Aristotle understood more than 2,000 years ago, people can only be educated into a life of virtue through active partici-pation in the life of a society. just as people can only be educated in music by making music, not by being told

about it. The best moral education is not based on chalk and talk, but on practical experi-

ences, preferably outside the classroom, in which children learn to take responsibility. to deal with other people's needs, and to reflect continuously on the moral nature of their choices. The Italian phrase impara l'arte, e mettila da parte (if you learn how something is done, you forget that you know it) cap-tures the idea perfectly. It is through taking responsi-bility, and through making decisions, that the citizen is

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zens, is the very worst way to The second mistake is to forget that moral education teach morality. has to be based on respect. If

has to be based on respect. If teachers aren't respected, the messages simply don't get through. The same applies to politicians and church leadbility, and through making decisions, that the citizen is formed, not through classes made or votes cast. In other words, the classical idea of preach, and few of our insti-tormed, and through classes them has fallen. You need the 'point of view of the universe''. This sort of moral

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schooling, which treats chil-dren as passive infants wait-ing to receive knowledge, own moral failings. Their rather than as active citi-first priority should be to years of thought in all the world's major religions have taught us that morality isn't like this: it is much better clean up their own act, not to

clean up their own act, not to pathologise the young. Much the same point ap-plies to punishments (and corporal punishment has, predictably, come back on to the agenda). If you don't respect the system that pun-ishes you, you try to avoid getting caught next time rather than learning that your crime was wrong. understood as a development rather than a rule book, and a development that involves learning the inner disciplines to rise above instincts and selfish desires until ulti-

ing with changing curricula. they are unlikely to have the spare energy to create imagi-native ways for children to learn. The good news, however, is

people's success in life is not

their IQ or their academic

qualifications, but rather what Daniel Goleman calls

their "emotional intelli-gence": their ability to empa-

thise with other people, to understand their feelings, to

motivate and connect. These

qualities are very close to what we would recognise as

day-to-day moral qualities,

and they are vital to making people good parents and good

spouses. They can be culti-

vated, and they can even be

measured. They are also cen-tral to the parallel debate

about schools exclusion,

which is so often caused by

lack of basic emotional capacities. If schools could

do more to cultivate these,

they really would be prepar-ing children for lives in which they will face a far more complex set of moral

choices than their parents

Frances Lawrence called

in her manifesto for "a calm

and quiet exploration of the

problems". Instead, Britain's

eaders and media bave been

loudly promoting a very backward-looking view of

morality, one fit for an age of

deference and authority that

has now passed. It's had enough that anyone should

think that morality can be rammed down people's

throats. But it's even worse that so much of what is being

proposed seems designed to produce obedient and pas-sive citizens, rather than the active and responsible ones

Demos's Forum On Active

Learning in The Community is holding a major conference on

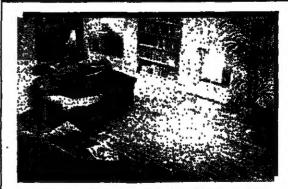
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Unfortunately, the pres-sures on schools are now not even Labour in 1945, had 125; there may also be those pointing the opposite way. If ever achieved the kind of who still think the Tories can you are judged solely by your swing Labour needed to get a win. The best advice I can exams then it is harder to working majority. But give you, JM, is that the put resources into providing equally, no governing party result on polling day is likely practical experiences outside had recovered from the to fall somewhere between the classroom. If your teach-depths of unpopularity which these extremes. But don't bet on it.

HARDWOOD FLOORS that we now have available a far more useful source of thinking about moral educa-WITH A DIFFERENCE tion than crude new codes. A mass of research is showing that the best predictor of



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Ismond Rosen

For healing and creation

HE life of Ismond Rosen, who has died aged 82, embraced two strands medicine and art.

As a boy in South Africa he had thought that the two would be in conflict and, as he wrote, "I wouldn't give up one the eminent psychiatrist at for the other." This went on, he said, until "I realised that mond indicated he wanted to he said, until "I realised that the two were not in conflict at go off and study art and then all. I had to do both". And so he did, becoming not only a distinguished psychoanalyst but also a sculptor. He was born, prematurely

in Johannesburg and as his mother was hospitalised for the three months after his birth, both he and she fought for survival at the same time. He felt that "this early mater-nal deprivation, together with a compensatory intense close ness and overprotection, con-tributed to a sensitivity in me to the quality of attachment in relationships which also influenced my judgment and expression of aesthetic pro-portions in art". He also said he had observed patients with a similar history of severe early deprivation who seem to have compensated with en-hanced intellectual capacities. Certainly Ismond's own intellectual capacity was remarkable.

He grew up in a large hotel run by his parents (his father had been part of the mass immigration of the 1880s from Russia) in the centre of Johannesburg. Ismond later claimed that the hotel provided an exciting develop-mental background for him which gave him an excellent preparation for dealing with different personalities and behaviour patterns.

He joined Wits Medical School aged just 16, and after qualifying worked at a health clinic in the poorest white part of Johannesburg. He then moved to Weskoppies, South Africa's main mental

hospital, where his interest in den Clinic, the first psychiat-psychiatry was first stimu. ric outpatient clinic in Engpsychiatry was first stimu-lated. But in 1951 he left for land, which later amalgamated with the Paddington Hospital as the Paddington Clinic and Day Hospital. Britain to further both his medical and artistic careers. In London, he approached the rather formidable figure of Professor Aubrey Lewis, After some difficult adminis-trative tussles this centre was recognised as the first psycho-analytic clinic within the NHS. Ismond was its chairhard to ensure its survival. During this period he be-came involved in television come back in a year's time. Lewis said he could only offer him six months. In Paris, he went to the Academie Julien, programmes, such as *Lifeline* with David Stafford-Clark and also sex education on BBC2 Horizon. He also played a key role in the production of did some stone carving at the Ecole des Beaux Arts, then travelled through Italy, read-

After Paris he travelled through Italy, reading Freud in Florence in the moming winter sunshine

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morning winter sunshine. At that point a dream Camden Arts Centre. He also completed medical busts, one helped him to resolve his con-science and enabled him to of Lister, another of John Hunter and one of Henry Maudsley. These busts and elect to continue his medical studies. He stayed six years at other works are housed in the Royal Society of Medicine. His most recent work, the the Maudsley during which time he also underwent a full sculptural Holocaust Trippsycho-analytical training. At first he found the Maudsley a tych, took a decade to comcold and distant place, but in the end he said it offered friendships made "at a depth

occur in other training experiences" On leaving the Maudsley he became consultant at the Portman Clinic where his

plete. It was first exhibited at St Paul's Cathedral but is now permanently housed at the Rrenzkirche in the multi-ethof intensity that does not nic suburb of Kreuzberg, Ber lin. His final creation was a design in steel and marble for the altar which will stand near to the Triptych.

An extremely gentle, charming and courageous dying. The urge to create is man, ismond was a natural workaholic yet as a friend he was always ready with help and advice. His enthusiasm

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keting expertise, even in the

the award-winning documentary on one of Freud's cases called the Rat Man.

Ismond's interest in art began in childhood, and he

produced his first sculpture

aged eight. It was a skull, and he always carried it in his

pocket as a sort of talisman. In the 1970s, he worked on more than 100 stainless steel

sculptures, as well as on paintings, lithographs and etchings. These all ultimately

formed part of a show at the



was very infectious and was

in some ways overwhelming. When asked why he was a

sculptor, he said: "I believe it

has to do with man's fear of

perhaps a cry of protest at our

own decay and destruction

Being a sculptor is the ulti-

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graphic artist Abram Games obituary, August 29) in 198 while researching wartime propaganda against venereal disease. Among the posters he designed was one in 1941 which warned against VD. We discussed the headline pun of Games's "Guard against VD" poster. "You owe it to yourself - your women-attention. The message that alcohol impairs sexual performance is hard to miss. Before recounting the ban-ter and mirth which accompanied his poster's appearance. Games asked me rather any iously, "You are a married lady, aren't you?" For a moment I didn't understand the relevance of his question I then realised that he saw a correlation between sexual experience and marriage which made it improper for him to explain the poster to an unmarried woman.

Andrew McCloy writes: Few of today's walkers: realise the ground-breaking nature of Journey through Britain by John Hillaby (oblinary, October 21). Back in 1968, most of today's national tralls didn't exist — the first, the Pennine Way, had only been open. three years. Alfred Wainwright's walking books were virtually unknown, and the Rambler's Association membership was a sixth of what itis today. Journey through Britain opened people's eyes tion and we can look forward to long-distance walking and to appreciating the personal to the land through which they walked. There is no insights of this remarkable greater compliment.

Peter Cotes writes: Of all the exuberant characters at the Savage Club, John Hillaby, smond Rosen, psychoanalyst and artist, born August 2, 1914; died October 16, 1996 whose upright stance and reddish beard only showed his age late in life, stood out as a : unique member. He was-funny, serious, and told silly stories. His book on London, perhaps more than any of his other works on my bookshelf. remains a masterpiece of its kind. The reference on its fly-leaf to his wife Katie, "daily help, good references", makes one remember the warmth of his character.

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John Gregory, dancer, born April

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Champion of the Highlands' cause

who has died aged 74, was a leftwing academic who possessed rare interests for someone answering to that description, in land use and practical agriculture. Much of his work over a 50-year period related to the Highlands and Islands of Scotland. He was an early advocate of

a Highland Development Board, finally brought to fruition by the Labour government in 1965 as a powerful interventionist instrument for redressing the economic disadvantages bequeathed both by history and geography to that region of Scotland. Houston was also an influ-

ential adviser to successive governments on agricultural and marketing issues; notably to formulate government poi icy in the Wilson years. His particular loyalty to the Highlands and Islands derived from his Shetland parentage; his mother, a schoolteacher on the island of Mid Yell, married a local man.

Houston graduated from Edinburgh University and took a B. Litt from Balliol. before joining the political economy department at Glas gow University in 1951. He retained that academic base, specialising in agricultural economics, until his retire-ment in 1984, becoming a titusor in 1970. He had joined the Commu- who had driven the concept.

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Potty questions

TAXI drivers: Architectural consultants are planning to nobble your toilets. The plans for Hong Kong Station Phase 1 (the new airport link station in Central) include a toilet for cabbies. This was planned as a humble rest room featuring two sit-down toilets and hand-wash basins. but a report from the MTR Corp's architectural depart-ment warns that the toilets are "too lavish".

"There is good reason not to provide a room for public service vehicle drivers to rest and relax in. This would encourage protracted parking by taxis within the station

EORGE HOUSTON, | nist Party as a student but his first significant publication appeared under the imprint of the Fabian Society. This was a paper, written in the late 1940s, which argued the case for a Highland Board, particu-larly with a view to tackling the problems of land ownership and use. Later, when the legislation to establish such a body was introduced, the then Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland, Michael Noble, him-

remotest areas. self an Argylishire landowner, He never abandoned his denounced the concept of a Highland Development Board commitment to radical land reform and one of his lasting "a Marxist conspiracy". contributions to this debai Houston observed wryly that a "Fabian conspiracy" might was a book co-authored with Professor John Bryden and not have provoked the same excitement

published in the mid-1970s. Agrarian Change in the Scot-tish Highlands was a seminal The case for a Highlands and Islands Development piece of work, which pulled Board rested, above all, on the need for a force capable of taking on the great landown-ers and breaking up the sport-ing estates which they oper-

together immensely detailed material, information on land use and astonishing under production which resulted from the predominance of ated as private kingdoms. The sporting interests. It made the initial perception was that the case for land reform more powerfully than 100 speeches, on grounds of productivity

Board had been given these powers, including those of compulsory purchase. Within a few years, how-ever, it became apparent that rather than politics. OUSTON'S interests the rhetoric had outstripped the reality by a considerable distance and that the Board's were by no means restricted to the Highlands and Islands. He powers to intervene in the was an early member of anland market were no stronger other influential think-tank, the Scottish Economic Soci-ety, and also acted as consul-tant to many national and inthan those of a local authority.

Even within such constraints, there was plenty of useful work to be done. Hous Houston ... land reformer

the British Wool Marketing

Board in 1967 and he retained that role for 20 years. In it, he made a tremendous contribu-Board, the OECD and the European Community. In his last weeks, while tion to improving land use

practices and ensuring that crofters and farmers benefited dying from cancer, he wrote a series of articles for the Wes Highland Free Press which restated his belief in fundamen-tal land reform. Referring to the current efforts to secure community ownership of the island of Eigg, he described it as "hardly plausible or desir-able that the future of Highland communities should depend significantly on the Lottery or private donations." He called for opposition parthes to unite in moving the land issue up the Scottish po-litical agenda by agreeing a joint statement of alms which would form the basis for early legislation, perhaps through a

devolved Scottish Parliament. Such an outcome would be a worthy and overdue memorial to George Houston and the whole generation of Highland socialists of which he was part.

Federation of Russian Classi-He is survived by his second cal Ballet, dedicated to teaching the method of Legat. Bar-bara Vernon became the wife, Jean. his two sons, two daughters and step-daughter.

Brian Wilson

George Houston, land economic born October 28, 1921; died Octo-ber 21, 1996 ternational bodies including

Vatican City State. The Dec-

sional Revolutionary Coun-cil in Worthington, details

that for reasons of "peace, brotherbood, sisterbood,

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Colice decided to declare

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of Worthington, the third signer, Kramer, distributed

copies of the Declaration to

several embassies in Wash-

first, quite unofficial dia-logue with the Colicians, by

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great ballerinas of the St Petersburg Imperial Ballet, Mathilde Ksessinskaya —

Port Colice about or less than the size of the Holy See, the Rwanda, when Abigail Kramer accidentally activated a sound-triggered spotlight system while slipping the laration, drafted by the Provi-Declaration under the closed Embassy's front door. The Co licians are preparing a statement of "goodwill towards the Government of Rwanda" should their delivery have caused any problems. Port Colice declars their inde-pendence. Their Declaration of Independence can also be Along with Dipesh Nav-saria, 23, of the Associated Realms and of Washington DC, another signer and Coun-cil member, and Abigail Krafound at http://www.access.di-

ily and, in 1949, opened a school in Chelsea and the

following year founded the

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WE TRY to be interested. In mer, 3, daughter of Steve Kramer and his wife Lise Mendel the plate shop, for example, we try to be interested in plates, even though the idea of actually buying a plate has never occurred to us before. Who buys plates? Aren't they just there? We don't think we ington. Turkey conducted the need a plate, but women don't instructing them to leave the shop because they need

things. Women shop because they need to shop. And so shops exist that sell nothing but plates: rows and rows of plates. There is no balance here; only plates. It's plates or nothing. And plates are bordent for Port Colice was with

Karsavina

Barbara Vernon, of The Legat In 1959, Gregory founded a small touring company which set out to "take ballet any-Foundation, dedicated to pre-serve and perpetuate the teaching of the great Russian where" and named it Harlepedagogue Nicholas Legat, has died aged 82. quin to commemorate Vaslav Nijinsky who had been his Born in Norwich, he began first patron and godfather to his stage career in Shake speare and stage manage his daughter. For 10 years, the troupe toured the British Isles ment, but in the late 1930s but, failing to retain the goodstudied ballet with such emiwill of the Arts Council, was nent teachers as Igor Schwe-zoff, Stanislas Idzikowski and

forced by economic and politi-

cal pressures to disband in



had been a star pupil of Nich-Gregory ... an idealist -... olas Legat. They raised a fam

the autumn of 1968. Thereafter, the Gregorys toured in many parts of the world lecturing, writing, teaching, researching and publishing books on ballet.

To celebrate his 80th birthprincipal teacher and among day, Gregory established the Legat Foundation, hoping to guest teachers who lent support to the enterprise were the set up a little museum to take care of Legat artefacts relat-ing to Russian Ballet from Tsarist times until today. "I | 15, 1914; died October 27, 1996

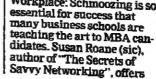
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ing. And we have to pretend to be interested in the choos-ing process, which is taking not, and so we do fall asleep, with an elephantine slumpso long when all we want to do is go to sleep and be done with this platey place for ever. And if the plate shop is ing motion. Shops are not designed for men. Right by the door there is a big machine blowing hot, anti-man air which dehydrates our knees boring — it's nothing com-pared to the clothes shop. We try to keep awake by peering through the louvres of the changing room doors, but all we can see is feet with pop sox on. If they were just feet it

Women don't realise how hard this is for us even though we've tried to explain many times during our "talk and share" discussions. Yet, there she is, saying, "What do you think of this plate?" And in an unguarded

moment we say, "The plate is bloody awful All the plates are awful. Get any plate. Who cares?" This is not the right attitude. Women can't understand such honesty. They think we are up to something. Maxim on uncompromising

LEARN to Mingle in the Workplace: Schmoozing is so essential for success that



future students of ballet." he said at its inauguration. Lord Birthdays and Lady Menuhin had

agreed to be patrons while Lady Kennedy (Moira ***************************** Dr Yvonne Barton, civil en-Shearer, a former Legat pupil) gineer, 40; Harriett Jagger. fashion director, 37; Claud

Moreover, the trustees have Lelouch, film director, 59; Diego Maradona, former just announced that The Lawfootballer, 36; Grace Slick, rock singer, 57; Juliet Stevenrence Batley Centre for the National Arts Education Ar-chive Trust at University Colson, actress, 40; David Trieslege, Bretton Hall, man, general secretary has received The Legat Exhibition - a superb assemblage cre-Association of University Teachers, 53; Bob Wilson, ated by Barbara Vernon football commentator, 55; and at the Trust, the collec-Michael Winner, film protion will be made accessible to ducer and director, 61. researchers worldwide,

In his introduction to his **Death Notices**

book The Legat Saga, Golden Years of the Russian Ballet, published in 1992, Gregory BERLIAMEN Bernard Harris aged 85 on. October 249: 1995. A loving batter and grandlather. Funeral at Hoop Lene Grama-brium, Golders Green, Londen N9911 at 11.00am on Tuesday November 8h, No Sovera presse. Donations, if desired, bo Age Concern, Tottanham Town Hall, London N15 4RV. wrote: "It was the deep hu-manity of Legat that placed expressive qualities and artistry above physical perfec

HARDING INTERPORT HARDING Matthew, aged 45, of Ditching, Suisson, on October 22nd, tragically in an socider. Loved russhend of Rain and salver of Hannah, Luke, Patrick and Joel, Funeral for family and triands only. Memorial ser-vice to be announced latter. tion and above mere tech-nique. That is why his philosophy and science of classical dance must never be

PALMER, David John, geotechnical engl-ner, aged 72 years at Surbiton Hospital. Surrey, 27.10.96. Greatly missed by Syria. His Stree children and ski grandchildran. Gregory was a dreamer and

idealist, no mean painter, and a writer of elegant prose. His wife complemented his char-acter with her patient, unas-ROAF Douglas on 27th October pe In the Radcittle Infirmary, Oxford years. Physicist and Emericus Str Chirist Church, Beloved husband (line, dear father of Derm Jame and Michael and suming support and practical good sense. They were a cou-ple ideally matched and I en-X. Bri d lovi and graat-grandtather. Fune St. Glies Church, Oxford on November at 12.30pm, follow cremetilor. Family Rowers (Bons, If desired to The Uto joyed their friendship for lions, il de

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would be worth it, but they're tins for working a room:

Before a party, figure out things you might have in common with the other guests, whether they're peers, superiors or potential clients.

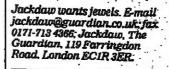
-Striking up a conversation with one person is much easier than injecting yourself into a chattering crowd, so approach someone who's alone.

-Prepare a lively introduction. If you sell computer software, say, "I turn computer-phobes into computer nerds". If you're an accountant: 'I'm so strong, I crunch numbers". You'll invite questions - and charm everyone in the Drocess.

- Turn a contact into a connection by following up a phone call, an e-mail, a note. Cynthia Hanson schmoozing in the US Cosmopolitan.



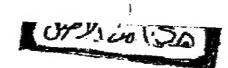
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Emily Sheffield



viously done heaps of research into toilets which The South China Morning Post reports of officials getting bogged down in details. may become centres of vice. Assuming that the average person walks at 5kms an hour State of mine it would take about 80 seconds to walk from the THE Commonwealth of Port

Colice, a new independent, sovereign nation, announced its existence late yesterday by irafting a Declaration of In-

issue is in the heading to the next section of the report: Lavatory Type May Be

courage procrastination. as taxi drivers may be tempted to read newspapers and smoke therein, quite apart from attending the primary purpose of the visit." Thus Asian squat toilets should be installed "to discourage

entire issue of Asian values

parking spaces to the lavato-ries and back again, to which duration must be added the time spent in the facility it-self. This could vary from about a minute for urination to several minutes for defecation." The key to the whole

This was a bitter disappoint-

ment for Houston and others

whilst their drivers are be-

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The report writers have ob-

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lingering". So there you have it. The

Critical." "European type toilets en-

inces are said to total "several square metres", making

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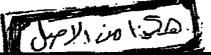
and the economic miracle solved. Western economic

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growth is slower than that of East Asia because of the

with more expected to immigrate. Its territorial claims consist of the Province of Worthington, which lies entirely within Columbia,

Maryland, and the Province Declaration at the door of the of the Associated Realms. then-closed embassy, and which claims parcels of land opening the door and picking it up when the Colicians were in several locations across North America; the two Prov well down the block. The first



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Fund manager's 'wrong box' mistake causes chaos Notebook

Patrick Der City Editor

BUNGLING fund nan-A ager at the huge U in-Securities caused beind-the-scenes chaos during last month's £250 milion break-up bid for the GT "ticking the wrong bot" in the formal share offer from predator, Hong Kongbased Regent Pacific.

Rather than pledging for the alternative casi offer, Chile shareholders. the alternative casi offer, like the overwhelming ma-jority of former G" share-holders, Heine by mistake cated deal of 1996."

supported the bid. This saved Regent from the em-barrassment of seeing a complete boycott of its new investment vehicle.

investment vehicle. But it also created huge confusion among City advi-sers because the surprise emergence of such an over-whelmingly large share-holder meant that Regent could not proceed under Stock Exchange rules with the planned listing of the new investment vehicle it was offering former CT worth of investments, has refused to make any com-ment on problems in the break-up deal.

Regent Pacific director Jayne Sutcliffe yesterday admitted that the incident was offering former GT was embarrassing for all oncerned". Ms Sutcliffe insisted that the mistaken support by stated aim of floating the Heine did not represent any new Regent fund on the vote of no confidence in the London Stock Exchange.

Regent yesterday admit-ted that Heine had made a mistake, after being ques-tioned by the Guardian on details disclosed in offer listing documents. Up till now. Regent, which con-trols more than \$2 billion to have attracted virtually no interest from GT institu-tional investors, she in-sisted that Regent had ex-

for not anticipating that the emergence of one single investor holding around 93 per cent would threaten its stated aim of floating the new Regent fund on the

This is because listing rules require that at least 25 per cent of the shares are sold to the public. Closed that it had got around this problem by number having hack shares from

ment further on the propos-als which are expected to be announced over the next couple of months.

a spread of shareholders is Although Regent has now been seen to have won vir-

The international sale looks set to reap multi-mil-lion pound profits for seven Regent directors who hold

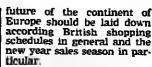
OR those at the Bank of England and Treasury who still shiver in the shadows of the 1980s Lawson boom, strong personal bor-rowing brings back bad memories. So yesterday's figures showing that net consumer credit remained above £1 bil-lion for the third successive month — against City expec-tations — will fuel demands for higher interest rates. Eddie George, the Bank's governor, will press his case for a rise in base rates when he meets Chancellor Kenneth Clarke today, and is likely to cite the credit figures in support of his case that the consumer-led boom is likely to re-ignite inflation and endanger the Government's 2.5 per

cent inflation target. But from a monetary policy perspective, a good pinch of salt needs to be taken with the credit data. First, alreadypublished figures show that retall sales eased back in September after a bumper summer. So shoppers are not buying more, they are simply choosing to pay out of bor-rowed funds rather than immediate income. And the

method of payment has no inflationary impact. Second, the detail of the data confirms that consumers remain highly price-sensitive. Credit card borrowing almost halved to £149 million in September, because the items most commonly paid for on had jumped in price. Shop-pers looked at the price tags, and put their plastic back in

their pockets. Mr Clarke is looking at a recovery in which households feel better but still hold retailers to ransom on prices

- thus ensuring low infla-tion. Against this backdrop. he can still argue the eco-nomic merits on keeping rates on hold.



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The British Retail Consor-The British Retail Consor-tium, however, reckons that when and if the UK does sign up for a single currency, its members will be in the front line of making it work so it is worth getting its two penny worth in now. Actually its a bit more than that. The RBC reckons the switch, as cur-rently alanged will cost Brit.

rently planned, will cost British retailers around £3.5 billion but, based on the expe-rience of decimalisation, the costs could be halved by confining currency conversion to a single February day. Outside the retail trade the

BC argument is unlikely to be seen as overwhelming. Other groups can and will make an equal case for other times and other ways for introducing the single cur-rency. A "big bang" bas diffi-culties of its own. Still the BRC has provided a timely reminder that there is more to monetary union than high finance and higher politics. No doubt Napoleon, who

had his own grand designs on Europe and who once dis-missed the British as a nation of shopkeepers, would have thought the whole thing typi-cal. Then look what happened to him.

Lonrho epilogue

ONRHO was the creation of Tiny Rowland so it was never likely to survive his departure for too

long. Yesterday brought a further chapter in the division of his legacy with the sale of Di-eter Bock's stake in the company to South African mining giant, Anglo American. Mr Bock has been a leading

player in events at Lonrho since be arrived in the board-room three years ago, first as ally then as rival to Mr Rowland — though as non-execu-tive deputy chairman he will

now play a less active role than of yore. Anglo's purchase gives it al-most 26 per cent of Lonrho but it is adamant it is not planning a full bid. One consequence is that other Lonrho shareholders are unlikely to be able, at least immediately,

Bock quits Lonrho helm

Last Killing

IETER Bock, who ousted Tiny Rowland from Lonrho yesterday stepped down as chief executive of the mining and hotels onglomerate after selling hi £257 million stake to South African mining group

AngicAmerican. Mr Bock, who forced Mr Rowlind out last year after a projanged and bitter boardroom struggle, is expected to take a stake in the non-miningside of Lonrho once its demarger is completed next yer, and even become chief

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next fortnight with the \$700 million-plus sale of the group's Princess and Metro-pole botel chains.

break-up - preventing suspi-cions that he started the demerger solely for his own in-trest. He denied that he had sold his stake under pressure

scuttve of the business. pected to buy Anglo's stake in The sale means Anglo ithe non-mining Lourho assets American, part of the Oppen-heimer trading empire which clude a number of farming includes De Beers and Min-and sugar assets based in Aferco, owns nearly 26 per cent of Lonrho. However, Julian Oglivie car dealerships.

It is understood that Mr Bock, who will continue to oversee the demerger as non-

to take a crucial step in the

executive deputy chairman, felt it was best to sell his stake in Lonrho ahead of the

from his bankars. Mr Bock, who will be replaced as chief erecutive by deputy managing director Nick Morrell, is widely ex-

pected most of the target's investors to opt for cash. However, she blamed sponsors to the issue, UBS,

one for sponsors".

cent of the shares are sold to the public. Regent yesterday dis-closed that it had got around this problem by buying back shares from Heine through its own ternational share listing. But she declined to comfunds in order to reduce the oustanding share stake in the new fund to below the qualifying level. Ms Sutcliffe admitted this

had created behind-thescene problems but said: "The issue of a fund needing a 30 per cent stake in the investment funds parent

company, Regent Kingpin Capital Management.



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man, insisted the company would not be making a full comed news of the deal. Lonbid for Lonrho, but said i remained interested in the long term in "supporting" Lonrho's mining business.

Mr Ogilvie Thompson sail Anglo, which has long co-sted Lonrho's highly prized 3 per cent stake in Ghana-basel mining group Ashanti, hopel to "enhance" the relationship

battle with Tiny Rowland, but he's been able to realise the value in the company. Don't forget that he bought shares The sale came about when Mr Bock, who had entered a "put and call" arrangement with Anglo on his 18.8 per cent stake in the company, s-ercised an option to sell the in a rescue rights issue at a premium to the market price, and he's got his just reward." But Mr Rowland made a stake at 180p a share, netting him £257 million. Mr Bck characteristically contemptuous attack on Mr Bock, accusing him of being a short-term lion building the stake in 192 player and of putting his own and 1998, though the exact ig-interests above those of Lonure is not known becausehe | rho. He added: "He came into

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spent an estimated £135 nil-lion building the stake in 192 borrowed money in he the company as a break-up merchant, and tried to sell it

Lonrho said the move wis a firstly to Gencor and then to which concentrated the City's relation is three-vay Anglo — which I could have mind on the perils of compa- and the City's denerger, which is expected done at any time."

rho shares closed up 4%p at 168%p. Charles Kernot, an analyst Gordon, at broker Panmure Gordon, said Lonrho shareholders should be grateful for what Mr Bock had achieved for the company and not begrudge Dieter Bock, who took on Lonrho's Tiny Rowland and was 'able to realise the value in the company' PHOTOGRAPH GRAPHM TURKER him the profit on his stake. "The poor fellow had to

Mentor chosen to save company who turned against Rowland DIETER Bock was a finan-cier little known outside his native Germany when early in 1993 he acquired an 18.8 per cent stake in Lonrho at the request of its founder Tiny Rowland, writes lan King.

Lonrho was at a low ebb, having tumbled out of the FTSE-100 index after a disastrous slump in its shares after Robert Maxwell's death,

one man. Mr Bock first invested in Lonrho in December 1992 when he bought half Mr Rowland's stake and acquired an option on nearly all the remainder. At the time, Mr Rowland

insisted it was his age that had forced him into the move. but be appeared happy with the situation. However, cracks soon appeared in the relationship between the two and they were at war a year

Mr Bock, now 58, made his name in Germany as a property developer. He qualified as a lawyer in 1970, as a tax accountant three years later, and started investing in the property market from his Munich base in 1974. His trading vehicle, Advanta Management, grew to take in assets in Europe, South Africa and America and had assets of over DM200 million (about £80 million). Mr Rowland fell out with Bock."

Mr Bock in late 1993, when

they clashed over the appointment of non-executive directors whom Mr Rowland likened to "decorations on a Christmas tree". After various attempts to unseat Mr Rowland from the board in a row over his ex-penses, Mr Bock drew blood a year later. Mr Rowland threatened to sue for wrongful dismissal before backing down with the declaration:

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"I'm buggered if I'm going to spend the summer suing

Banging on

to bow out at the 180p a share which Anglo paid Mr Bock. The longer term might be

WHEN and how should monetary union take place? According to the European Union's politidifferent. At 163p the Lonrho share price is not that far adrift of the Anglo/Bock deal. Yesterday's announcement cal and economic establishhas already given it a modest ment (or at least those parts which agree it should take lift. Anglo could argue that with Lonrho set to concenplace at all) it should start trate on its mining industry it from January 1, 1999. Euro-notes and coins, however, will is a handy minority share-holder. Certainly it knows the not be brought in until 2002. industry and the area of operreplacing national currencies ations.

over a six-month period. Nonsense, say Britain's re-tailers. Far better to do the The disposal of Lonrho's hotels business could give the shares a further boost de currency switch in one "big bang", after at least three pending on the speed of the disposal, said to be coming years warning and in the apsoon, and the sale price.

That leaves the African trading interests, also set to propriate February. Presum-ably, early closing day, for those shops which still have it, would be handy, too. those shops which still have it, would be handy, too. It might seem odd anyone should believe that the time-those for the solution off. Mr Book remains interested despite the sale of his stake. If Mr Rowland wrote Lonrho's prologue, it table for an event which, for may be for many, will determine the epilogue. may be for Mr Boch to pen the

Swiss bank subsidiary faces fraud charges

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. •	City Editor	statements between 1 Janu-		scoops racing	development.	cramped by financial prob-	Budget tax cuts he could do
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Proton to take over Lotus **Bright sparks** give Clarke with £50m rescue package funding tips for tax cuts



anaged to hold a driving licence.

Closing this loophole, she suggested, would promote safety by taking potentially dangerous drivers off the road as well as saving money by uncovering those who were not as needy as

they claimed to be. But it was David Mills, a Scottish pharmacist, who won the hearts of the judges, with a plan to axe E500,000 off NHS costs.

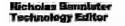
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12 FINANCE AND ECONOMICS

Companies that fail to invest must cut bills

Water firms told to pass on savings



FWAT director gen eral Ian Byatt yesterday ordered water companies which failed to meet their investment promises to pass on any resulting savings to customers through lower bills.

Mr Byatt, the industry regulator, said many water companies were showing they could become more efficient and could improve services while reducing expenditure in real terms. But several companies had materially changed the timing of their capital spending programmes from those set out in the stra-tegic business plans submitted to him in 1994.

He said those companies "should not take up their full price limit next April". This would force them to keep price rises below the level agreed in 1994.

'If they have delayed capital programmes, perhaps for reasons outside their control, such as delays in getting planning permission, they should at least share the interest gain with their customers," he said. "The customer pays less in the short term and the company may take up its full price limit at a later stage

higher bills than they would | London ring main ahead of otherwise have done." | schedule, said that its customotherwise have done." Frank Dobson, Labour's environment spokesman, said

Ofwat's report on the finan-cial and capital investment of the water companies, showed bill". Thames Water op that in 1995-96 the industry's

profits rose to its highest level since privatisation in 1989, while capital investment fell to its lowest point. "A number of companies — unnamed by Ofwat — have broken promises on invest-

ment," he said. Janet Langdon, director of the Water Services Associa-tion, representing the 10 privatised water and sewerage companies, said that amounts

invested in capital pro-grammes would necessarily vary from year to year. The investment programmes in the first five years after privatisation had been completed

local communities."

Clark shake-up Credit

after chairman spree

on time and in full and companies had spent £1 billion more than originally planned. "Many things influence the timing of investment," she said. "These include the de-velopment of new technical

solutions, the acquisition of planning permissions, and the need to schedule work so as to cause minimum disrup-

tion and inconvenience to Thames Water, Britain's largest water company, which

in high

street mini-boom eased

vesterday with the release

of figures showing strong consumer borrowing and

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ers preferred savings to be spent on improving services than on "knocking two or three pounds off the annual industry's first-half results season with a 6.4 per cent rise

in pre-tax profits and a 22 per cent increase in the interim dividend. Overall profits were hit by the £12 million cost of buying back convertible bonds. But

profits of the regulated business rose 8 per cent to £181.8 million, while the non-regulated operations, shorn of the stand-alone design and construction businesses, turned a £3 million loss into a £9 million profit.

Chairman Sir Robert Clarke said the bulk of the dividend rise had been funded by the non-regulated businesses. Thames is to spend an extra £150 million over the next five years on capital projects, including work on leakage reduction and reduced sewer flooding, and an early start to its south-west Oxfordshire reservoir

project. The group's shares close Ine group's shares closed Iop up at 550p, with all the other big quoted water groups also posting gains, with the exception of South West

without customers paying | completed construction of the | Water and United Utilities

Malaysia boasts the world's tallest building, Petronas Towers. Now it is to add the longest. The £1.3 billion Giga World's 1½ miles of offices, theatre and malls, plue mono-rail, will rise on stilts above the Klang river as the heart of a 7-mile linear city under a deal signed with contractor yesterday Maaastricht maelstrom 2

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German deficit 'will fail Rogue dealer case hits unit trust sales

News in brief

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ROGUE fund manager Peter Young's alleged deception at Morean Grenfell took a heavy toll on unit trust sales ist month according to figures published yesterday. Net retail in estment in unit trusts slumped by 40 per cent to £206 million in Spien-ber, against £347 million in August, largely as result of Pays-redemptions by nervous Morgan Granfell investors. Hallest hit were European funds as private investors withdrew 130 million. The two investment funds managed by Mr Your specialised in European stocks.

The company confirmed that it had sold the \$47 million in British Biotech held by two of Mr Young's funds, the My European Growth Trust and the MG European Capital Grayth Fund. British Biotech, the UK's leading biotechnology stor, said it was pleased that the shares had gone to institutional shareholders who had been keen to buy stock for some time Richard Miles and Tony May

Taxman's 'credit card bribes

INLAND Revenue "ghostbuster" Michael Allcock accepted bribes paid through his bank and credit-card accounts totalling more than £135,000 in the 1980s and early 1990s, the Old Bailey supposed to be chasing for tax, the Crown said. Jurors heard how 257,305 had been paid off credit cards, and more than \$79,000 was paid into bank accounts held at Llords and Barclays, John Black, prosecuting, told the court. Explanations Mr Allcock had given for the money were false, he said. Mr Allcock, aged 47, from Colchester, Essez, has denied 13 charges of corruption between 1987 and 1992. Hisham Alwan, 56, from Knightsbridge, London, has depied three charges of bribing him, and David Shamoon, 66, from Vest Kensington, has denied an allegation of bribing him. - Dan Atkinson

dies suddenly Patrick Donovan

City Editor

HE sudden death of Michael Cottrall, chairman of Matthew Clark, yesterday prompted the beleaguered drinks company to

rush out the announcement of a senior management reshuffle aimed at showing the City that it is dealing with the problems which last month resulted in a major profits warning.

Mr Cottrell, 58, who is understood to have suffered a heart attack on Sunday night, be replaced by nor

street mium brands like Diamond White and Babycham are being squeezed by rival "alco-pops". In a statement, Mat-thew Clark said: "For the first

Nichard Thomas five months of this financial year, these brands were down BARS of a premature end to Britain's high

30 per cent in volume." But, it insisted: "Trading in the cider category has now stabilised following the severe trading environment experienced during the summer. We expect the underlying growth within the cider market as a whole to

Consumers raised their borrowing by £1,067 mil-It said that during June and lion in September, com-pared to £1,044 million in July, draught cider generally been down by 10 per cent.

loans.

single currency test' The institutes said Geran Traynor in Bonn

ERMANY will fail to meet one of the main conditions for the comnon European currency next year, the country's leading conomic think-tanks said yesterday.

In their annual analysis of German and global economic trends, the six institutes warned that government budget-cutting to meet single currency terms risked damaging

the modest recovery. France's hopes of qualification also suffered a blow yeserday when it emers

many could fail the same test. Next year's economic perfor-mance will be used to decide who can join the common currency, the suro, when it is in-troduced for "wholesale" money in 1999. Despite routine govern-ment claims that economic

and monetary union will help cut Germany's unemploy ment of about 4 million, the report argued that the restrictive budgetary policy required by the single cur-rancy effort would hamper

job creation. The report came on the eve

Price of the euro: £3.5bn

port on the impact of mone-tary union, the other key

problem will be the proposed

euro notes and coins in 2003.

late for the changeover to

"The January 1 start date is

one of the worst possible

times. It is right in the middle of the post-Christmas sales

when the shops will be at their busiest. Mid-February would be much better as the shops are quieter," said Andrew Higginson, chairman of the BRC economic affairs

committee. The £3.5 billion price tag on

conversion would consist of: software to handle new and old currency simultaneously

cuts in the desperate drive to qualify for monetary union. "German financial policy is ruled by panic." the institutes said. "The proposals to plug the constantly recurring budget gaps are generally marked by hectic action. There is a danger of losing sight of me-dium-term concepts." The panic was costing the government credibility. "nor can it be ruled out that resentment against EMU will increase". Despite Germany's emer-

gence from stagnation to growth of 1.5 per cent this year and 2.5 per cent next

year, this year's budget defi-cit will be DM144 billion, 4

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tive director Michael Gardner until a suitable candidate for chairman has been found.

The company also seized the opportunity to announce that it is boosting its marketing operation of major cider brands and taking steps to deal with competition from "alcopops". It added that there are no plans to cut the dividend.

Since last month's warning that its market share was coming under threat, the company's shares more than halved in value. Yesterday, they firmed 17.5p to 317.5p. As part of the restructur-ing, Matthew Clark is beefing

up its marketing division with the creation of a new board position of marketing director. The sales force is being increased: there will be 40 new jobs.

The job of managing direc-tor, Branded Drinks Division, is being scrapped and this will result in Andrew Nash quitting the group. The company yesterday declined to speculate on how much com-pensation he will be paid.

The company will not be ready to present the findings of an exhaustive marketing strategy review until the publication of its interim results for the balf-year to 31 October

far confirmed that its prebeart attack

on September 1995 — the "Across the whole of the sumhighest annual growth rate for more than three years, mer, the group's draught cider volumes were down by 15 per cent having been mar-ginally ahead of last year at according to the Bank of England. the end of June. In the off With the Governor, Eddie trade, packaged cider market, George, calling for higher although our mainstream

interest rates to choke off possible inflation when he brands are ahead of last year, the group has lost some mar meets Chancellor Kenneth Clarke today, City analysts said consumers were still ket share in the price compet

splashing out. Dharshini David, UK economist at HSBC Mar-kets, said: "With incomes The statement continued "As always, Christmas trad-ing will be a key factor in determining the group's full-year outcome. The early signs are that volumes are trading going up, consumers may be snapping up high-street credit deals. They are gen-erally feeling a bit more in line with expectations".

confident." But Ms David pointed to a **Sarah Ryte** drop in borrowing on plas-tic to £149 million in September, half the previ-ous month's level. She said the fall might reflect lower ers £3.5 billion, UK retailers warned yesterday. They at-tacked proposals drawn up in sales of clothing and shoes. The Bank said mortgage approvals rose to 94,000 last month from 90,000 in August — and 72,000 in Brussels as "potentially unworkable". September last year. Mar-ket-watchers said the in-crease indicated that the The British Retail Consor tium said the bill could be halved by adopting the "Big property market was still on the way up. Bang" approach to decimal isation of February 15, 1971

Confirmation of a hous-Instead of following the ing market recovery came when the Council of Mortplanned dual pricing for six months, customers should be gage Lenders said loan ap-provals remained steady at able to tender pounds but According to the BRC's re-over and then software to £5.9 billion last month.

payment from France Tele-com's pension fund in the 1997 budget had not yet been approved by the European Union. The payment is cru-cial to France getting its deficit below the Maastricht treaty ceiling of 3 per cent of GDP.

CRAPPING sterling in

favour of the euro will cost traders and custom-

Maastricht maelstrom 1

plans to include a £4.6 billion debate in the Bundestag. Theo Waigel, the finance minister, is expected to come under fire for sowing financial confusion and failing to present clear arithmetic on the crucial 1997 budget. For the past two weeks Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coalition has been split over tax rises and spending

per cent of GDP and DM20 billion up on last year, the in-stitutes said. That should fall next year by DM17 billion to DM127 billion. "The deficit will be 3.5 per cent of GDP. That means the criteria in the Maastricht treaty for the deficit and state debt will not be achieved in 1997.

handle just euros; increased staff levels during transition

and training; and dual label-ling of old and new prices. The BRC added that indi-

rect costs not included in the

final estimated bill could in-

clude a surge in retail de-

mand before the change and a

fall after, as the exchange rate

which puts a 99p item at E1.30

would make customers feel goods were more expensive

even if retailers did not pass on any transaction costs.

Traders called for maxi-

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minute decision on monetary

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union could put them at a

EC work plea watered down

EUROPEAN Commission proposals for the World Trade Organisation to monitor third world working conditions have been watered down after opposition from Hitain, Germany, Spain and Italy. Instead the Singapore WTO meeting in December will be asked to attach importance to the International Labour Organise. tion's efforts to promote core standards

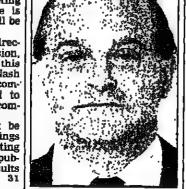
A British government statement sail: "Britain is wholly op-A British government statement sait "Britam is whoty op-posed to the use of trade sanctions to afforce international labour standards... It does not accept that international standards are an appropriate subject for the WTO." but other EU member states see opposition as an attempt to underrine pursuit of higher living standards. --- Stephen Bates

Zeneca's seed growth

ZENECA, Britain's third biggest drugstroup, said yesterday that its sales during the first nine months of the year had grown by 14 per cent to £4.1 billion. Zeneca, which his been the subject of persistent bid speculation, said the incrase was matnly due to strong volume growth, though it warnet that pricing pressures continued in Japan and some Europeannarkets. The biggest improvement was in seeds, where sales rew by 21 per cent to £117 million, but the biggest sales were if the core pharmaceuti-cals division, up 14 per cent at £1.8 billion its specialities division had notched up a 9 per cent improvemento £802 million, helped by strong sales of Quorn meat substitute nd by its Stahl leather. business. But Zeneca shares closed down 6%p at 1713%p, due mainly to profit-taking, according to analists. - Ion King

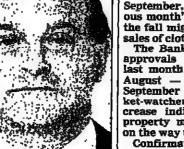


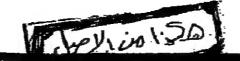
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Racing

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Ron Cox marks your card with 12 to follow for the National Hunt season

Stay one jump ahead with Sherwoods to try again with Lara

HE Oliver Sherwood stable had a difficult time with injuries and various setbacks to their best horses last season, but there is a strong feeling of optimism this time round at Rhonehurst, where brother Simon has combined to produce a powerful team.

Four Sherwood horses are included in the following list, and although Large Action is not among them, I gather he has come back in great shape with the Coopers & Lybrand Hurdle at-Ascot next month his likely first port of call.

ANTONIN: Only a six-year old when he completed the Racing Post/Ritz Club Chase double two seasons ago, An-tonin has struggled since those heady days. But he won by a distance at Wexford on Sunday, his first outing since Sue Bramall took her string to Ireland, and there is still time for Antonin to make his mark in good races over here. (Trained Mrs S Bramall). BILLYGOAT GRUFF: Made

a smooth transition to chas-ing last season when he won the valuable Heineken Gold Cup Novice Handicap at Punchestown on his last start. Ought to win a top handicap before going on to better things. (D Nicholson). CHARMING GIRL: Stepped

up from winning minor novice events to following home Tragic Hero at Ainfree and finishing a creditable ninth behind the same borse in the Swinton Hurdle at Haydock. Will go chasing soon. (O Sherwood).

e dealer cas JACK TANNER: The staying hurdlers division looks rather weak this season and

> this time round. (D Nicholson). MAKE A STAND: Rattled off a hat-trick in novice hurdles in the second half of last season, clocking fast times, and continued in the same vein at

Stratford on his reappear-ance. On a good mark and it may be some time before the handicapper catches up with him. (M Pipe). in's 'credit catris



Down to earth . . . Patrick McLoughlin parts company from The Knitter in the opening maiden hurdle at Cheltenham yesterday PHOTOGRAPH TOM JENKING

up a sequence in novice hur-dies. (Mrs J Pitman). **READY MONEY CREEK:**

Had the misfortune to come up against Mary Reveley's highly-regarded Marello at Ayr on his NH Flat race debut, but was only beaten a length and finished clear of 18 others. Sure to win a similar SUNY BAY: Soft ground is essential for this grey gelding. Given those conditions, he could win a race like the Henevent and looks an exciting hurdles prospect. (O hurdles prospect. Sherwood).

PRINCEFUL: Despite look-ing far from fully wound up, this gelding by Electric lived up to his sire's name with a power-packed 12 lengths suc-cess in a National Hunt Flat race at Worcester on his only outing last season. Could run up a sequence in novice huralready a useful hurdler, could really put his trainer on track. (O Sherwood). STRONG DEEL: Though the map this season when switched to fences. (Mrs M none too consistent last sea-

son, a Wetherby second to Un-guided Missile shows what Strong Deel is capable of. A change of stables could see this talented chaser confirm that promises (F Murphy) Jones). that promise. (F Murphy).

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intentions with an easy victory

more than two years ago with a lofty reputation, was running for the first time with an easy victory in the since fracturing a pelvis Cheltenham And Three back in November 1994.

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Sport in brief

Warwickshire ready

WARWICKSHIRE are sounding out Brian Lara about a return to Edgbaston as the county's overseas cricketer for 1998. But, having been once bitten, Warwickshire are understandably having been once briten, warwickshire are understandary shy about rekindling their relationship with the brilliant West Indies batsman. The county's chief executive Dennis Amiss confirmed that "tentative inquiries" have been made through

confirmed that "fentative inquiries" have been made through the batsman's London agents. "The 1998 season is a long way off — and we certainly wouldn't want Brian back unless he was hungry to play county cricket again." Amiss said. Lara helped Warwickshire to a record-breaking treble in 1994 but pulled out of a contract to return this summer after complaining of "burn-out" following non-stop cricket around the world.

Nemeth is under pressure

LASZLO NEMETH has been bound and gaged — bound by financial constraints, gagged by the English Baskethall Associa-tion — and he will be lucky to escape with a European Champion-ship win against Latvia at Leicester today, writes Robert Pryce. "My situation is extremely difficult," the England coach reckons. "I wouldn't say hopeless." Nemeth, who has been told his public pronouncements must part coardide LERA policy. That un with his players on Monday.

not contradict EBBA policy, met up with his players on Monday, the first time they had gathered since June. England have little enough chance of qualifying for the finals, having lost four of their five games so far. The national team budget, already stretched, faces the extra cost — reckoned at about £20,000 a season — of bringing in six overseas-based players. And there have been no games nor practice sessions this season. "The whole problem is no money," Nemeth says.

He will probably have to do without Spencer Dunkley as well. The Limoges power forward has so far failed to return from visiting his sick girlfriend in the United States.

Harding skates to the rescue

TONYA HARDING, the United States ice skater banned from the sport for life for her part in an assault on her main American rival Nancy Kerrigan before the 1994 Winter Olympics, gave her tarnished image a polish when she saved the life of an 81-year-old roman in Portland, Oregon, after stopping in a bar to play video poker. Alice Olson collapsed and stopped breathing and Harding called police with her cellular phone and revived the woman with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

\$2,000 for knee-jerk reaction

THE WIFE of the International Olympic Committee's vice-president Dick Pound has been fined \$2,000 (£1,250) for a run-in with an Atlanta policewoman during this year's Olympic Games. Julie Pound, who pleaded gully last week to charges of failure to comply with traffic instructions and disorderly conduct, was fined £1,000 on each count. The policewoman, Leanne Browning, said the Pounds were jaywalking and, when she ordered them to return to the pavement, Julie Pound swore at her and kneed her in the groin.

Law has a title unto himself

LESLIE LAW, who had to pull out of the Olympic individual eventing championship when his mount New Flavour developed a heel injury just before the start, earned some consolation for his Atlanta disappointment when he was named Britain's top event rider of the season, writes John Eerr.

Swiss to enter America's Cup

LAND-LOCKED Switzerland is to enter a boat in the America's Cup fo the first time, writes Bob Fisher. A challenge is to be made from the Club Nautique de Morges on Lake Geneva by a syndicate led by Marc Pajot and Pierre Fehlmann. To satisfy cup requirements, the challenging club will associate itself with a club which holds its annual regatta on the sea.

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Counties Race Club Maiden Conor O'Dwyer, who rode Hurdle yesterday. "He's had more problems the winner, completed a double for Bailey on Hunt-ers Rock in the Business than all of us put together," said trainer Kim Bailey's assistant, Alex Hales. "But Market Analysis Hurdle. Mark of Esteem, one of we've always thought quite the outstanding milers of

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Soccer

Barmby to join the Royle family

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CK BARMBY's brief dalliance with Middlesbrough ends this morning with a transfer to Everton. Only 14 months after his much-trumpeted arrival from Tottenham Hotspur, the England striker will depart Teesside a disillu-sioned, if richer, young man.

Barmby is the second high profile player, after Branco, to pay the price for Middlesbrough's rapid transforma-tion from humble club to glamorous side. But, following the signings of the Brazilian pair Juninbo and Emerson, then Italy's Fabrizio Ravanelli this summer, Barmby slipped down the pecking order at the River-

him - comes at a time when | has spent the best part of sh months seeking a suitable he is unable to command a regular first-team place. In opting to become the most expensive player in Everton's history, Barmby has missed out on the oppor-

tunity to join their Mersey-side rivals Liverpool, the club he supported as a child. Although Liverpool's man-ager Roy Evans had indicated that he was interested in add-ing the 22-year-old to his squad, he could not guarantee £5 million Barmby regular first-team

football and subsequently withdrew his intere Conversely the Everton manager Joe Royle was able to make such a promise. Barmby will make his debut in Monday evening's tele-vised meeting with Coventry City at Goodison Park.

partner for the Scotland international Duncan Ferguson. However, the signing of Barmby is unlikely to signal the end of Everton's pre-Christmas spending. Next week, once the Queens Park Rangers board has met to consider Trevor Sinclair's written transfer request, Royle will renew his attempts to sign the England Under-21 international, who is valued at

 Middlesbrough's clear-out will continue apace, with Jan-Aage Fjortoft and the goalkeeper Alan Miller available for transfer as the manager Bryan Robson seeks to strengthen his defence. Wolves' interest in Craig Hig

sett appears to have cooled side Stadium. His sale for a fee of Barmby's pedigree and poten-tial must be regarded as a loan deal but now have play-than Middlesbrough paid for major coup for Royle, who ers back from injury.

Scholar group make bid to take over Forest

Martin Thorpe

RVING SCHOLAR, under whose chairmanship Tot-tenham Hotspur almost went bust, is part of a consortium seeking to take over Not-

tingham Forest. Scholar, a 48-year-old lifelong Spurs fan, has teamed up with a fellow millionaire and Monte Carlo tax exile Lawrie Lewis, and Phil Soar, a Nottingham businessman and author.

Theirs is one of four takeover bids being presented to the Forest annual meeting tomorrow before an eventual decision on a new owner, pos sibly at a future extraordi-

nary general meeting. "Although Scholar is not particularly welcome at Totenham at the moment there are many people in the game who miss his enthusiasm and other club chairmen have en-couraged him to get back into the game," said the author

Alex Fynn. The return of the controversial Scholar may be of concern to those seeking a secure future for Forest after a recent turbulent period raise another £20 million. which has seen debts rise to

eam left languishing near the | beto. Sevilla are trying to en-bottom of the Premiership, | tice the Brazilian striker back bottom of the Premiership, which Scholar played a big (to Spain. part in beloing to form.

 Cyrille Regis, who played Scholar turned Tottenham into the first club to become a five times for England, has been advised by a specialist to retire because of a calf injury publicly quoted company but after a 19-year professional career. Regis, who played his It was felt he went too far, too fast. Spiralling ground rede-velopment costs and a losslast league game — for Ches-ter — in February, is keen to making diversification into leisurewear left the club with go into management and made an unsuccessful applidebts of more than \$10 million. Scholar nearly brought Robert Maxwell into the club cation for the Wycombe job after Alan Smith's departure. Manchester United's Roy and in 1990 trading in Spurs shares was suspended. He eventually sold out to Terry Keane has been recalled to the Republic of Ireland squad enables and Alan Sugar in

There was further control versy two years ago when Spurs were punished heavily by the FA for infringing rules ents to players during Scholar's period in charge. Scholar's consortium say

they will pay £10 million now for Nottingham Forest — part have delayed his return. of it will be used to buy

shares, the rest to pay off debts - and make another £5 million available to buy play-ers. They would then float the club on the Stock Exchange to au (Aston Blackburn face competi-

for the World Cup qualifying match against Iceland at Lansdowne Road on Sunday

week. Keane, who was sent off for his club on Saturday, has missed the Republic's last nine matches. Suspension, injuries and his decision to make himself unavailable for the close-season US tour, de

spite being named as captain REPUBLIC OF BRELANDE & Kelly (

The Guardian Wednesday October 30:

Champions League, Group C Manchester United v Fenerbahce

Dizzy United mindful of Turkish abyss

T IS only a fortnight since Manchester United crossed the Bosphorus into. Asia Minor to beat Fenerbahce 2-0 and place themelves on the brink of becoming the first British team to qualify for the knock-out tage since the Champions League was introduced. It seems much longer, and beyond the brink there now lies an abyss

Alex Ferguson's players lost the best part of a night's sleep on the long journey home from Istanbul, but at the time there appeared little else to disturb their slum-bers; United had just beaten Liverpool and they were within striking distance of Newcastle, the Premiership

How quickly things can change. Fenerbahce will visit Old Trafford tonight wonder-ing if the United they have een hearing about can possi hiy be the same United who silenced Turkish supporters with two quick goals early in the second half, from David Beckham and Eric Cantona. and a thoroughly professional performance all round. Since then United have

been routed 5-0 at Newcastle and 6-3 at Southampton. Peter Schmeichel, so wonderfully chipped by Croatia's Davor Suker in the European Championship, has now been beaten by wedge abots from Albert and Le Tissier. Roy Keane, absent in Istan-bul, is about to go missing

again after snother sending off. Cantona has twice courted a red card following a crude foul on Peter Beardsley at St James' Park and an as-sault on Ulrich van Gobbel at The Dell. More bizarrely, Beckham is having to deny accusations of baring his but ocks to a Southampton fan.

Ferguson, in short, is suf-fering the trials of Job while having to listen to the wails of Jeremiahs. Matt Busby's United team might have lost -3 at West Bromwich in the

Scott Davie

foreign soil.

Cricket

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Uefa Cup, second round, second leg Brondby 0, Aberdeen 0 (agg: 2-0)

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pean Cun but that is a distant IST DOW United need to win finis eve-

ning not merely to ensure their presence in the quarter-finals next March but for their own peace of mind - not s much a matter of getting theh act together as filetr be Ferguson hadly wants to add the Champions Cup to his unique domestic triumphs. But, if United can gain any-thing from the setbacks of the last nine days. it will surely

be a revised set of priorities. Liverpool always put League success above everything else, even the Europe Cup. Victory over Fenerhance will give Perguson sufficient breathing space to impress upon his players the importance of not looking beyond the next match

United should best Fener bahce to progress from their qualifying group. Juventus, who come to Old Trafford in three weeks, will also be in the quarter-finals if they de-feat Rapid Vienna tonight in the Stadio delle Alpi. Nothing however, can be taken for eranted, certainly not in Unit ed's case. Three years ago Ga latasaray, another Torkis! side, forced a 3-3 draw at Ok Trafford when United's unbeaten home record in Europe was preserved only by a late Cantona goal.

Cantona is the crucial fig ure again. In Istanbul he eventually proved a major in-fluence but since becoming captain he has shown a ten-dency to supervise rather than inspire.

Ryan Giggs is still out and Gary Pallister and Nicky Butt are both doubtful with knee injuries. Pallister's absence would mean Ronny Johnsen. who marked the skilful Nigerian Jay Jay Okocha in Istan-bul, rejoining David May at centre back.

Nanchester United (possible): Schmelshel; Irwin, May, Johnsen, P Neville, G Neville (or Both, Keane, Becham, Cruy, Schmary, Carbon

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McGinlay keeps **Bolton on course**

Paul Fitzpatrick

OHN McGINLAY kept goal for the final 30 min-utes of Bolton's game against Reading at Burnden Park last night, taking over when Keith Branagan was sent off. But by then McGin-lay had already done his stuff at the other end, scoring his 10th league goal of the season in the 59th minute to earn the leaders victory. Reading had created as

many chances as Bolton by half-time but found themselves losing to a scrappy goal scored five minutes before the interval.

For the second game in succession Bolton had benefited from a big deflection, this time off Reading's central defender Barry Hunter. Wright moved the wrong way, tried to recover but failed to stop Scott Sellars's shot sliding in.

This was barsh on the visi-tors, for whom Lee Nogan might have had three goals before the break. A frustrat-ing half for him ended with a

booking for dissent. None of Nogan's chances, however, was as clear cut as the one wasted by Lambert after 13 minutes. The persis-

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tently dangerous Gilkes found Bodin with a long, crossfield ball and Lambert should have scored from the resultant pass.

Thompson, with his right foot for a change, brought a fine save from Wright but Branagan made an even betrun of six games. Victory was all the sweeter in the first League meeting ter one at the other end from Nogan's fierce drive, palming between these teams for being only Steve Coppell's second the ball away one-handed Bolton were in a contest.

Reading got the equaliser since taking over as the City they deserved when Lambert manager at the beginning of October. His record now headed past Branagan from close range after Bodin had nodded Bernal's free-kick beck across the face of goal reads won two, drawn one and lost two. City, after they settled.

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began to play the better foot-ball and pushed Southend on But parity lasted for only seven minutes, McGinlay restoring Bolton's lead when he nipped on to a back pass from Bodin, took the ball the defensive. That the home side staved in contention was down to their goalkeeper Royce, who pushed over a drive from Dickov and then down the right, and beat the keeper from an acute angle.

Soon afterwards, McGinlay was keeping goal after Brana-gan was dismissed when he brought Nogan down outside the penalty area, handling the ball at the same time.

and the net.

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Southend 2, Man City 3 Patrick Glenn

Injuries and suspensions have left Walter Smith's Wilson looks to his right, he will see Greg Shields, a 20-year-old with only two previend's sails as a goal from Rösler and two from Kink-ladze ended their unbeaten ous first-team outines, on the defensive flank. It is unlikely they will have much chance

to exchange impressions dur-ing 90 minutes that are expected to keep them extremely busy.

"All the youngsters in the squad are fully aware of what playing for Rangers is about," said Smith. "Their main gripe to me is that they don't get enough opportunities for first-

team football. I'm sure they will handle the occasion." Even Brian Laudrup, who will captain Rangers in the absence of the suspended

blocked the former Arsenal striker's point-blank shot along with Rösler's follow-up. Notts Cou Strodder 37 Agana 63 nty (1) 2 Results Dickov, who was Alan Ball's last signing, then con-trived to skew Rösler's pass wide. But Boere soon out-did him at the other end when he lobbed wide of the goalkeeper Peterba Houghto 5,400 1 32. 74 Soccer Plymouth (0) : Evans 59 Illiman 66 UEFA CUP econd rour cond leg Preston (1) 1 Reeves 25 12 652 2.005 The goal City were threat-ening duly arrived on the break. Kinkladze embarked Trabz 3 (agg 3-4), Spa 2 (2-5); Monaco dbach 1 (4-3) ckport (D) Dinning BB Watford (0) 1 Bazeloy 90 14,109 on a trademark dribble NATIONWIDE LEAGUE through the home defence, First Division pass found Rösler scoot-into penalty box and the rman drove into the top of the from an acute angle. Wreshaus Hughos 63 2.8% Seliars 40 McGinlay 58 Reading (0) 1 Lambort 51 12.677 York (1) \$ Power 36 (peri) 0 191 ed C (0) O Crystaf Palace (7) 4 Pepper 36 Tolson 53 ickov missed another easy nce at the beginning of the Gricesby (0) 0 3,532 Oldbaen (1) 3 Third Division ond half but City soon red a second. The South-Mallo 86, 89 Cartislo (01 3 Peacock 59, 69 Smart 82 **Ostand Utel** (2) **4** Gray 5 Angal 27 Jemson 78, Alandao 80 Stake 10) 1 Sheron 55 6.38 left-back Dublin was Colchester (0) 1 Myers 61 (09) ight in possession by kov, who played the ball Darlington (0) 0 1.759 ide to Clough. He moved it Hendrie 49 Hendrie 49 w 62 Marcello 63 Port Vale i0j 1 Guppy 52 5,231 to Rösler, who transferred to Kinkladze and he drove th 44 Portamosi Bradbury 7 6,334 1 913 Furlong 22 to the bottom corner. Fulham (1) 2 Conroy 25 Freeman Re he Georgian added to his Man City (1) 3 Rosler 44 Kinkledzt 59, 72 (pen) y in the 72nd minute from Rammell 84 8,707 penalty spot after Harris 1254 ught down Dickov. A minlater Southend hit back h a Williams header and 10) C 5.527 Hereford (0) 0 2,571 Scoru 16 konos (4. Mahon 62 Aldridge 85 substitute Andy Rammell Hull (0) 1 Gilbert 79 2,175 d past Dibble on 84 min-Second Divisio s, but it was not enough. Bristol City (0) 2 Bernard 77 (pen) Agostno 79 thend United Royce, Halls, Narris, Der. Oubin, Byrne, Marsh, Nielsen, m. Willisms, Boere (Ranmeti, Gimin) Kebester Clays Dibble; Summerpoe, sell. Symons, Frontzeck, Jeff Whitley. Nadze Clough, Radger, Dickov. or. Leyion Orient 1.197 Wood 52 1.632 Bristoi Avra (1) 2 Curetae 9 Browoing 47 Brentford (0) 1 Hulstange 68 5.163 Crews (1) 1 Bar/ 44 a 162 | Wn 3 162 | Par Coster1

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COIT WILSON, the 19-year-old central de-"The way things are, any "The way things are, anyfender who makes his thing other than victory for Ajax will come as a surprise to most people," said Laudrup, who has captained Denmark but never until now a club side. "But sometimes the better team doesn't win and

we have to try to make that the case in this match." The Dutch should leave Glasgow with another victory under their belts. They were adjudged by their fans and the local media to have per-formed only moderately when they beat Rangers 4-1 at the Amsterdam Arena two weeks

ago. Now they are strengthened by the return of Patrick Kluivert to the forward line - the Portuguese Dani, twice a scorer in the first match, is not even with them - while Rangers are depleted by the suspensions of Paul Gascoigne. Gough, Alex Cleland

and Craig Moore. It was also learned yester-day that Tijani Babangida and Marc Overmans, who gen-Richard Gough, did not offer | erally terrorised the Scots in

am, will be fit to play injury doubts exby the coach Louis van Gaal on their strival on Monday. But. in case one is not available, Van Gaal fiew another gifted youngster, Dave van den Bergh, from Holland yesterday as cover. Smith, having tried to sur-prise the Dutch with an unusual formation in the first match, will revert to a three-man central defence, thereby

giving Wilson his opportu-nity. "The tactical side will play a part." said Smith, "but really it has to be about how we approach the match. Mak-ing all the changes means we won't get a flowing team per-

formance, so everybody will bave to try and do his bit." "We have to stay together and try to exert some pres-sure. We managed that at times in Amsterdam even when we were down to 10 men. We have to do more of it men. We have to do more of it this time and hope to take something from the game." Respect (probable): Snelders: Shields. Petric. Wilson. Bjorkland. Robertson. Monnos. Miller. Alberts. Laudinp. Van Vossen (or Andersen). Alex (probable; Van der Sar: Sanlos. Vetdman. F de Boer. Bogarde (or Witschge). A de Boer. Reuser. Scholten. Babangida. Kluivert, Overmars.

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Brondby were ponderous early on but, having survived the frenetic first few minutes, HE problems of trying to overcome the twin obthey exerted almost total control

The one weak link appeared up front where Peter Moller. stacles of Brondby and Scot-tish football history proved insurmountable for Aberdeen the Danish international striker, had a poor match, perhaps aware that the Spurs as they bowed out of the Uefa Cup in Copenhagen because of their own negligence two scout Chris Hughton was vatching.

weeks ago. The Danish champions There was plenty to admire in Brondby's long-range efforts as Kim Daugaard led a barely broke sweat at Pittodrie and in more than 40 years of continental competibarrage on the visitors' goal. But the Scotland No. 3 goal-keeper Nicky Walker made a tion no side from north of the border has ever overhauled that magnitude of defeat on series of crucial saves, aided on one occasion by the cross-bar, to prevent the Danes in-Aberdeen made three good openings in the first few min-utes. David Rowson stabbed

creasing their advantage. Aberdeen's one final atthere is on goal summed up their fortune as Windass anatched a shot high over the crossbar; it is a decade since the ball past the far post from close range, Darren Young had a cross nipped away from him at the last moment and Dean Windass hesitated long they made the last 16 of continental competition.

enough for Per Nielsen to take the ball off his toes in the Brondbys Krogh; Nietsen, Atrvn (Pilsager, Temin), Daugaard, Moller, Vittort, Sand (Blur, 44), Hansen, Colding, Eggen, Starballus. penalty area. For all Aberdeen's frantic

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early efforts they were not clinical enough against a side Aberdems Walker; MoKimmis, Irvins, Miller (Craig. 78), Kirlakov, Dodda, Rowson, Booth (Woodthorpe, 63), Windess, Young, Toretanov, Roteres V Methicinuk (Ukraine), which had scored from two of three chances in Scotland.

Bristol 25, Northumbria 5; Croydon 3, Wes-sex 5, Reused 2: Northumbria 4, Wineys 35; Wood Green 45, Croydon 35; Widlands 6, Na Flanze 2; Wessex 3, BCM 5; Kard In-victo 5, Briskol 1; Cathic Knighes 2, Stough 6; Richmond 45; Guildion 35; South Wales 44; Leasterne 1, Kart Invicta 4 match points (125 gain points); 2, Midlands 4 (12); 3. Wood Green 4 (11). vernamption v Huddarzfield (7.45). Becand Bielalona Millerai v Biackpool (7.45). FA CUP: Feartis-roand gualifying roping Arcacurae v Lancester (7.45). UNIBOND LEAGUE First Division Faretay Cellic v-Whiley Bay. Castlerape Case, second round Biyth Sparras v Em-Cap, second returns sym operative tay, Winstord Utd v Rimcorn. DB: MARTEN'S CUP: First round, second leg Bałdock Tn v Cheimstord C. Salisbury C v Bashlay, Stängbourne t Gravesend & Northfeet, Solhuil Bon Gradesend & Northfleet, Sonnum Eury Paget Ragar, VS Rugby v Attentione U.d. N-W COUNTIES LEADUR First De-latour Rosendule U.d. v Cheddenton. Floodilt Tropiny, first round, second leger Prescol v Burscough. FEDERATION SHEWERY MORTHERN TITAN CUP (Rejkot, India): South 188-5. India 185. South Africa won ADDINERATION SHEAVERY NORTHERA LEAGUE CUP: Second round: Publice To Vihity To. NORTHERA CONTRES RAST LEAGUE Franke Divisions Erig To v Fonteinsci Cols: Denaby Uti v N Ferriby Uti, Prasi-dent's Gues Second round round round round Bischburn v Tranmers (7.0). Second Div-taless Bansley Carlise (7.0). Tabri Dav-teises Bansley Vancel Collegina Tools Harts Divisions West Ham v Cardit (7.0): Windledon v Swanses (2.0). Lastane Cups Southangton v Swanses (2.0). Lastane Cups Southangton v Swanses (2.0). Lastane Cups COUNTY CHANDRONSLEEP DRAWS A Divisions Group 1 (Cropby); Durham, Estanc, Lancs, Madox, Northeins, Garage 2 (Tellord): Cheshiro, Kent, Nota, Sittop-Bhira, Warwicks, Group 3 (Cannoch); Berks, RAF, Statis, Bussex, Yorka, Group 4 (Surbiton): Army, Camba, Hants, Somer-set, Surrev. Ice Hockey Washington 0. Wimbledon v Swanesa (2.v). however Southampton v Brighton, Bullen Liffer GOLD CUPs Somi-day Glanavon v Crusadors, Friesand VI Oxford C v Dorby (7.45). WORLD CUP (Bangkok): Group A: Bei gium bi leetand 6-3. Group C Singapon bi Nong Kang 7-2; China bi Theiland 6-4 Group D: Australia bi Holland 6-3. **Rugby Union**

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Robert Armstrong

ATH inflicted a humiliating record de-feat on Bristol with an astonishing exhi-bition of free-running rugby at the Recreation Ground last night when 11 tries were shared among nine players. After a quiet opening quar-ter every Bath player turned in a performance of sustained high quality, and particularly the centres Henry Paul and Jeremy Guscott, who scored two tries apiece and supplied the final pass for a number of The Bath pack tested Bristol

early on with a series of powerful, organised mauls, one of which caused Bristol to retreat 20 metres into their own half, where they conceded a penalty for pulling down. Catt, deputising as goalkicker for the in-jured Callard, slotted home the penalty goal from 35 metres. Bath, however, struggled for some time to come to for some time to come to terms with Bristol's disrup-tive tactics at set pieces, but increased their lead to 6-0 after 13 minutes when a crisply presented ruck ball enabled Catt to drop a goal. Bath flattered Bristol for more than 20 minutes before two brilliantly worked tries

two brilliantly worked tries inside three minutes not only opened up a 16-0 lead but also underlined their seemingly casual ability to cut huge swaths through their opponents' defence with electrifying support running by the Wigan recruits, Jason Robinson and Paul. First Adebayo scored his

12th try of the season after being released on a storming run down the right by Jason Robinson, then Guscott raced away for an imperious touchdown close to the posts, cour-

tesy of a alick pass by Paul. Catt converted the first, hit the post with his next conver-sion attempt and then kicked a penalty goal from 20 metres for a 19-0 lead.

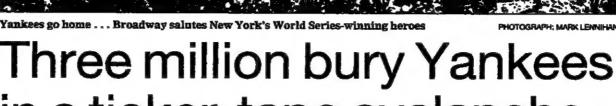
It transpired that last sea-son's double winners had been merely limbering up as a further series of devastating scores delighted the 7,000 crowd. In the 34th minute the prop Hilton barged through for a try at the posts, which Catt converted, and, two min-utes before half-time, deceptive footwork by Paul pro-pelled the centre down the left touchline for a try at the cor-

ner flag for a 31-0 lead. Shortly after the resumption Bath plundered a further three tries in a four-minute spell that comprehensively destroyed any remaining Bristol pretentions of making the game a contest. Paul broke clear to touch down be-hind the posts, Sleightholme sprinted through from 65 metres on a superb solo break and then the lock Cusack stole away from a crowd of players near the left touchine to ground the ball to the left of the posts. In each case Catt added the extra points for a 52-0 lead.

Towards the end Bath were tearing open the Bristol de-fence at will and their scrumhalf Charlie Harrison not only scored a try but also kicked two conversions when Catt was injured.

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New owners seek Leeds revival

Paul Fitzpatrick

HE electronic scoreboard at Leeds rugby league club was back day, flashing out the good news: "Headingley saved". For how long, though, might depend on whether the two new men at the helm, Paul Caddick and Gary Heth-erington, can persuade Sir Lawrence Byford and his

committee that Yorkshire cricket club should abandon their plans to move to a new green-field site near Wakefield and stay where they are. Caddick is a millionaire property developer, the league club's new chairman and now majority share-holder; Hetherington, the owner of Sheffield Eagles, which he founded in 1984, has also bought heavily into Leeds and is their new chief

executive. Their prime object is to restore the fortunes of the club which, after appearing in the 1994 and 1995 Challenge Cup finals, finished third

from bottom in the first Super League season. But Yorkshire also figure in their plans. "Over the next three weeks we will be putting together a plan to secure the future of rugby league, rugby union and cricket at Headingley," said Caddick. "I'm looking

forward to meeting Yorkshire. In the past they have been tenants getting very little financial benefit from the site. Perhaps a new arrange ment can be made whereby they will gain more benefits Conditions can be adjusted to suit them. I'm very firmly of the belief that Yorkshire will not leave Headingley." Caddick is, however, well aware that they might. "At the moment this site is not sustainable without the cricket. That is because the

overbeads and burdens are so great. We have to reassess the accounts and re-establish the nanagement in a form which can survive without the cricket. And that can be

Sir Lawrence to listen to the voice of the people. There is little doubt that a 14.000-name petition helped the league club to decide against a takeover offer from the Caspian group — it would have meant moving to Elland Road with Leeds United — and opt for Caddick's package. "I don't

think it is up to Byford, or any group of people, to decide the future of this great sta-dium," said Davies. "Those sort of decisions rest with the while further the state of the state sort of decisions rest with the public of Yorkshire."

The arrival at Headingley of Hetherington, who on Mon-day was still with the Great Britain squad in New Zea-land, was one of the game's best kept secrets. It would have owne at a major surhave come as a major sur-prise to Sheffield's followers. Hetherington steered Shef-field Eagles through many difficult times, turning them into a powerful and profitable Super League club. He will wind down his involvement

at Sheffield over the coming weeks and dispose of his

shareholding. That leaves the question of who might take over the Eagles. They will play at Shef-field United's Bramall Lane next season and there are rumours of a three-way bid for the soccer, rugby league and ice hockey clubs.

What does look a distinct possibility is that Phil Larder, Great Britain's coach in New Zealand who was formerly with Keighley, will be Eagles new coach. Tony Sharman, Sheffield's president, con-

firmed yesterday that Larder had been approached. It is possible, however, that having forged close links with him on tour Hetherington might be keen for Larder to join him at Leeds. For the moment Hetherington confirmed that the jobs of Leeds present management, the New Zealanders Dean Bell and Hugh McGahan, were safe.

Hetherington said he and Caddick would be assessing the club's structure but they would not wield the big stick. But he said team strengthen-ing was essential and that a number of "exciting" sign-

All Davies, the retiring ings would be announced in chief executive, appealed to the next few weeks.

Goulding injury blow to Lions' hopes of avoiding whitewash

Andy Wilson in Christohurch

Goulding's absence would expose a lack of half-back cover: Tulsen Tollett was one GREAT Britam's chances for avoiding a whitewash in Friday's third Test against of the 11 players withdrawn from the tour last week; Tony New Zealand suffered another

lestyn Harris, who has

Smith was then forced out with an arm infection. setback when Bobbie Gould-

never started

Union over television con-tracts to the European Court. Sir John has been negotisting with the RFU on behalf of Epruc, which represents the League One and Two clubs, and is ready to use European

hunt for Atherton and the League Two club and Harle-quins are considering moves half of the clubs but Sir John for the wing Cabous van der | maintains that Epruc should Westhuizen, Natal's all-time conduct its own deals. The leading try-scorer. The two parties meet for more Brian van Zyl, the Natal talks tomorrow. London Irish have resolved celebrating its sweetest sporting triumph of recent

Bath join hunt for Atherton

BATH are looking to South- Rugby Union Clubs steps up the an ew attempt to thore up their faltering front with the Rugby Pootball five. Following their ap-proach for Argentina's hooker Federico Mendez, the Courage League champions have made inquiries about the Springbok lock Steve Atherion who, like Mendez, is Richmond are also in the dent in the dispute. currently with Natal.

Rogby Union chief executive, yesterday confirmed that Athwill Carling has been restored at fly-half for Harle-Gabriel Fulcher, Jeremy quins at Sale tonight. But the wing Michael Corcoran will

Wasps claiming points for West's no-show at Sudbury

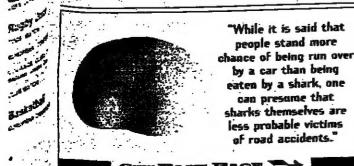
ASPS have requested the points equally or decide that two points for tonight's no points be awarded and aborted Courage League match against West Hartle-pool, who successfully ap-proached English Profes-simal Rugby Union Clubs for a replay." Wassy might l home to West — April — but Hue "Wassy id but Wasps might have been ex-

pected to rack up 50 points at home to West — as they did in April — but Huckstep added: "We could have international (Epruc) and the RFU for a calls and injuries later on and ostoonement because a run of injuries prevented them naming the five front-row players required in total, there is no guarantee that we would even win. We would rather have the two points in the bag now." West's first-choice props Wayne de Jong and Paul Beal are suspended, the hooker writes Robert Armstrong.

Wasps claim to have in-curred four-figure expenses for the non-event at Sudbury. Their chief executive Geoff Andrew Peacock has neck and eye problems, and their Huckstep, who had earlier asked for an Epruc ruling deputies Paul Whitelock (neck) and Stuart Whitehead over West's request for post-penement, said: "We wanted the game played tomorrow, so (rib cartilage) are also non starters. We want the two points now

ALL STREET Wasps, who were forced to call off a recent game against Neath after the Welsh club claimed they could not raise a Sting so. We don't want to Rearrange it. We are not interteam due to injuries, can call upon around 40 players and ANT STATE Sted in the points-difference their annual wage-bill is

Rule 12.4 of the League reg-£1 million. West, meanwhile, have fewer than 30 senior a match not being played, players, lack adequate cover in tight forward positions and the League organising com-mittee may, at its absolute discretion, award the points operate on a wage bill of less to either side, divide the than \$500,000 a year.



their contract dispute with ears in the time-honoured fashion. So tons of shredded com puter paper and toilet tis-sue rained down on Broad-Davidson and Victor Costello - who chose to play in the European Conference for Newcastie's owner Sir John Hall promised no surrender as English Professioner the side for tonight's Country way yesterday as more than three million New Yorkers lined the so-called

"Canyon of Heroes" to sa-inte the Yankee team that brought the World Series

back to the city for the first time in a decade. Thousands of fans camped along the route of the parade from the early national pastime for much of this century, had not hours to catch a glimpse of the team that won hearts by fighting back from a seemingly insurmountable 2-0 deficit in the best-ofseven series against the Atlanta Braves.

parade. "It's the team of the century but it's been 18 years since we won." The Yankees team has Several thousand more gathered outside City Hall where Placido Domingo led them in a rendition of the fection here because of a

Tennis

Ailing Krajicek fined after another first-round defeat

sick and unwell during his 6-3, 1-6, 7-5 defeat in the Paris Open by the world No. 19 Alberto Berasategui,

himself able to recover from 4-1 down in the final set. Krajicek's grenade of a first serve looked as if it only occa-sionally had the pin removed. Two moderate second deliver ies and an unnecessarily ambittous stop-volley which failed to clear the net helped Berasategui gain an immedi-ate break back, and four

games later Krajicek served two double faults and failed to

sategui whipped a top-spin backhand straight at his body. The slim Spaniard had no trouble in serving out for a

place in the last 16. Since Krajicek won Wim bledon he has reached only one final and had to retire from the Davis Cup with a knee injury. This seems to be a semi-permanent problem and the seventh seed's refusal

to appear afterwards suggested the ailments and disap-pointing results are begin-

ning to get him down. Another seed, the 16th, Jim Courier, also lost. The former world No. 1 is short of match line from December 26 to January 26, and why no contracts were issued in line with WBC practice after injuries this year and Arnaud Boetsch regulations. King had scheduled the proved potent with his first fight for December 7 but that date was put back at last week's WBC convention in serve and consistent, until a nervy last game in front of a noisy crowd, with his ground strokes. The Frenchman won Buenos Aires, which was attended by Frank Maloney, 6-4, 7-5 and the American afterwards confirmed he Lewis's British manager. Under WBC rules the prowould be playing in the Grand Slam Cup, which reduced Tim Henman's (\$6.10 million) on September | control in world boxing."

"Like New Yorkers themselves this is a team that plays best under pressure," said Mayor Rudolph Giu-biani, the club's self-styled in the club's self-styled returning from war. First Fan. "Remember just a week ago they trailed the Braves 2-0 and everyone said they couldn't do it. It is a metaphor for a city whose cial district to watch the people work best under Although their decades of

dominance inspired a long tradition of Yankee-hating structed floats. outside New York, this year's championship side has won an enthusiastic national following. "The New York Yankees are all that is America," said Owen McKeon, 23, a cigar store manager from Boston who travelled to New York for the parade. "If you look at America it's a bunch of mess. But when it comes down to it, it works and that's how it is with the Yankees."

fered a living link to an ear-lier era of Yankee glory. "I have never seen a ticker-tape parade like this and I have seen quite a few of them," he told the crowd. "Once upon a time in New York October meant championships," said Mayor Giuliani. "The 1996

Yankees have once again made October in New York

I'm pleased that this judge

has shown the tenacity to

has shown the tenacity to stand up to them." John Morris, the British Board of Control's secretary, said the board is backing Lew-is's attempt to win back the WBC belt. "But the title seems to be in suspension. it's a totally unsatisfactory situa-tion," he said. "I believe it is a sign that there is no effective control in world boxing."

Liberty. More recently they Goulding has carried an ankle injury throughout the tour and needed three injections to play in the second Test in Palmerston North after aggra-Schools and offices across vating the problem in a train-ing collision with Andy Far-rell. He was unable to train yesterday and the coach Phil Yankee players and coaches make their way through a blizzard of paper Larder said: "Bobbie must be very doubtful at this stage." Farrell also missed the ses on several hastily consion, the first since last Fri-day's defeat when the captain At a rally under a bright picked up a side strain and a dead leg, but Larder expects him to play. Other absentees were the wingers Alan Hunte, expected to be fit despite his blue autumn sky Di Mag-gio, the Yankee Clipper, of-

scrum-half, trained in the position yesterday with Karle Hammond at stand-off. But Larder is still considering recalling Tollett, who is cur-rently visiting relatives in Sydney, although he has not been in touch with the player since he left Auckland.

Stuart Spruce, highly im-pressive at full-back in the first two Tests, will play with a headguard because of an ear

injury. • Great Britain's Academy team yesterday defeated Canterbury Under-19s 44-14 at the **QE2 stadium in Christchurch**. They overcame an eccentric performance by a local referhamstring injury, and Anthony Sullivan, whose prospects receded when he broke down in a fitness test. ers to the sin bin, and scored eight tries with three for the

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Richard Jago in Paris HE Wimbledon champion Richard Krajicek refused

to be interviewed and suf-fered a \$500 (£318) fine after his fourth opening-round defeat in seven tournaments since the greatest triumph of

his career. He complained of feeling

who was surprised to find

make a backhand volley at reduced Tim Henma break point down when Bera-chances of an invitation.

Boxing King in arrest threat as delay over Lewis-McCall fight goes to court

THE American promoter | 26 proved the highest — must Don King and Jose Sulai-normally stage the fight within 90 days.

within 90 days. Lewis stands to win substan-Boxing Council, have been warned they face arrest if tial damages if the verdict goes against King and Sulaiman, since he has been in training for four weeks. King could also they fail to appear before a New Jersey Court next month to "show cause" why a month's extension was granted to Lennox Lewis's heavyweight championship fight against Oliver McCall. Judge Amos Saunders will lose the right to stage the fight, in which case the next highest bidder - Lewis's American promoters Main Events, with \$6.1 million (£4.08 million) would step in. Maloney said: "Rules are rules and these people have got to abide by them. The only way it seems that rules can be enforced is through a court. want to know at the November 14 hearing why rules were violated when the WBC de-cided to extend the fight dead-

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the sofa, Eric

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Uefa Cup, second round, second leg: Newcastle United 4, Ferencvaros 0 (agg: 6~3)

Asprilla calls the Toon

Michael Walker

T would be fair to say that Faustino Asprilla bas had his problems since his £7.5 million transfer to Newcastle last February. But all those no-shows, late shows and even early shows were forgotten last night when the Co-lombian arrived right on time with two goals that ensured Newcastle an ultimately com-fortable passage into the third round of the Uefa Cup. Goals from Asprilla either side of the break gave New-

castle a platform and a beauty from David Ginola justified Kevin Keegan's decision to field such a progressive line-up. Ferdinand's fourth in injury-time was well deserved.

Keegan, showing a typical disregard for conservative formations, selected a team packed with attackers. Shearer may be out injured but Gillespie, Asprilla, Ginola and Ferdinand all started, not forgetting Beardsley in midfield.

With Newcastle needing victory that meant room for only three defenders at the Out went both fullbacks from the first leg, Beresford and Watson, and Elliott was brought in to accompany Peacock and Albert Lisztes, Ferencyaros's young playmaker who scored two stylish goals in Budapest a fortnight ago, was absent but his replacement Jagodics was initially a commanding centre-circle figure.

In the sixth minute a lightning quick one-two between Asprilla and Ferdinand was only ended by the goalkeeper Szeiler's intervention. The resurgent Ginola then flashed a shot wide and Asprilla fired over the bar when well placed 12 yards out from Lee's run

French trip

and pass Twenty minutes had gone and by now Newcastle were dominant. And three minutes later it seemed they had

stie United's third goal, is sent flying by the Ferencyaros defender Telek through. Efficit created the chance with an aggressive, skilful weaving run down the left. Having reached the by-line Elliott crossed low, As-prille aggressive, judged late by the referee and a penalty inevitable. A goal, though, was not. Beardsley's spot-kick was cleanly struck prilla surged towards the ball and Jagodics lunged in.

. David Ginola.

but it clipped the outside of a

Newcastle's confidence it was not obvious. The Geordies continued to pour forward and long before half-time were facing a 10-man Hungar-ian defence. A dazzling Ginola burst culminated with a

and the Frenchman then saw out and Ginola spanked the second onto the bar. The ball his technically brilliant half-volley splendidly saved by Szeiler In between, Asprilla's slick

footwork almost brought a goal but three minutes before interval the Colombian ute of the second half Newcas-

crashed down onto the line man said 'niet' No matter, by the 20th min-

but it was hard to tell if it crossed it. The Russian lines-

tle would be first two, and

then three, ahead. Asprilla got his second of the evening

just before the hour when he

collected Peacock's header,

advanced on Szeiler and coolly plonked the ball in

with the side of his right foot. But if that was good then Ginola's goal was even better.

Following yet another Gilles-

pie corner Ginola controlled

the goalkeeper's punch-out on the edge of the area before

sending an unstoppable voi-ley high back beyond Szeiler.

Ethoti, Batty, Lee, Beard

PHOTOGRAPH: MICHAEL STEELE

Jim White

OP DOWN to your ocal video superstory and you will get a fair idea of what you will eiving for Christma this year. Bonfire Night may not yet have arrived but those whose fortunes depend on such things decided months ago what it is you will be unwrapping in eight weeks If your loved ones have even

heard you snigger about a footballer's haircut or his wife's taste in home furnishings, or the size of a centre forward's backside, one of them will think it a good idea to buy you a comedy football video. There's a lot of us out there in the target market; ac cording to those in the know, the video business hopes to sell three million such items over the next two months.

And the choice, judging by the groaning shelves at HMV is huge. There are the compl lations and out-takes from television shows such as They Think It's All Over and "Fantasy Foothall". There are the amusing cockups from the archive, voiced amusingly by a figure of the moment such as "Nick Hancock's Football Nightmares' or "Footballers Behaving Badly" with Neil Morrissey. There are, too, unamusing cock-ups from the archive voiced unamusingly by has beens such as Saint and Greavsie's "It's A Funny Old Game" or "Drugs, Mugs and Thugs" with George Best and

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ble for his clients and their

promotion, Hall has seized.

Eric Hall's "Monster

Hits ... ish".

has it taped Ouizzes chat-shows radio phone-ins on obscure AM stations, he'll do anything to raise his own profile. Most comically he has turned up on Radio 4's Today programme, in lieu of any offictal representative from the FA, as a sort of spokesman for football, commenting on tales of booze and scandal, an-nouncing to the world that the

game is not remotely corrupt. Or rather that it is "Monster, Monster clean ish' And now Hall has a whole video devoted to him and his ego. For that is the point of "Monster Hits ... ish". Osten sibly it may claim to be a sub-Candid Camera lark in which

football figures (mainly Hall's clients, as it happens) are set up in over-long, unfunny and not particularly compromis-ing situations. But really its purpose is to get Hall's mug on screen as often as possible.

HIS video marks a new menon surround ing football: vanity

broadcasting Hall as executive producer, script consultant, performer of the title song (to name but three of the credits he generously gives himself), hogs every shot as if attached umbilically to the lens.

In a running gag between sketches he is seen filmed at ast season's Footballer of the Year dinner taking a microbone around guests and ask ing them the question fundamental to his well-being: "What do you think of Eric Hall?" Sadly, although plenty show by their body language (and in the case of Alex Fergu son their foul language) what their opinion is, no one tells him the important truth about Eric Hall: that repeating a catch-phrase ad nauseom doe not make you a comedian, that wearing a yellow jacket does not afford you a personality and that having an ego the size of a diseased liver does grant you i he r

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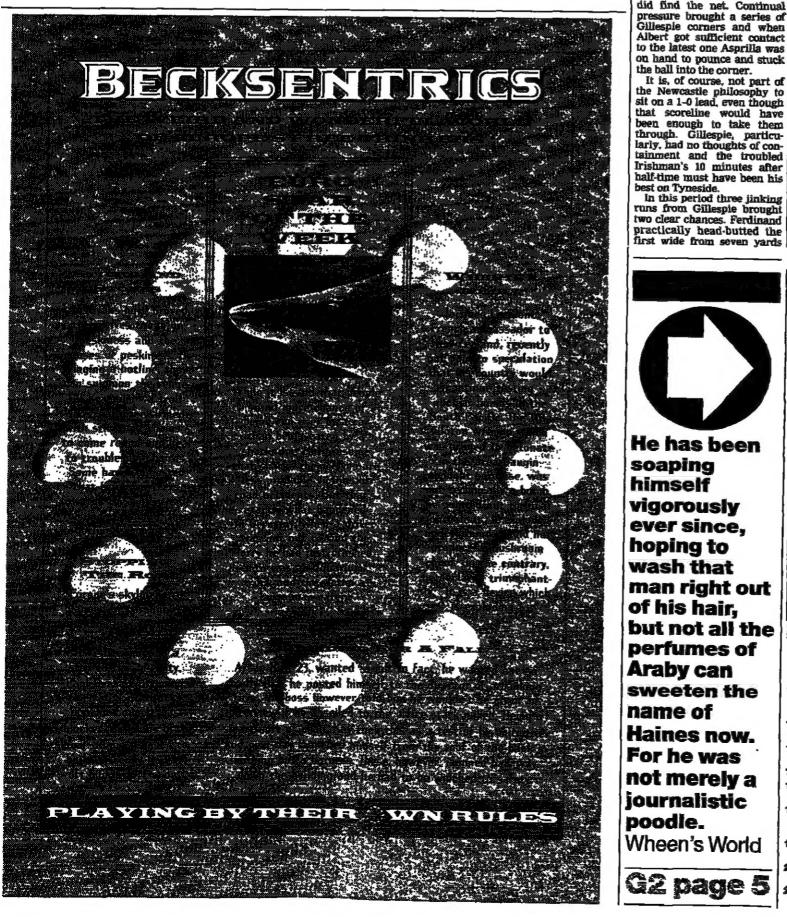
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flict it on the rest of us.

you then there is another cat-In a sense, however, Hall's pitiful effort tells an important egory to enable them to prove their contempt, at present occupied by only one product: truth about the current state of football: as in nature, only the most powerful and attrac-tive organisms can support major parasites. But this will be of little comfort if you are The last year has seen the emergence and apparently in-exorable rise of Eric Hall. Not unlucky enough to receive this video at Christmas (and so much as an agent — he has, after all, been fomenting trouthe promotional budget is big enough to suggest it might find its way into many a lastemployers for more than a de-cade — but as a personality. minute buyers' consciousness). If you do, however, don't completely despair: put a bit of Sellotape over the se-curity hole at the back of the tape and you can use it to re-cord "Match of the Day". Fired by an addiction for selfevery opportunity offered by football's present media ubiq-Which would be the first posi tive contribution Eric Hall has ever made to football.

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